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POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LIEN AUTHORITY
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LONG TITLE
General Description:
This bill addresses provisions related to political subdivision lien authority.
Highlighted Provisions:
This bill:
► defines terms;
 clarifies certain existing grants of political subdivision lien authority to ensure that
each grant provides an identifiable effective date, notice mechanism, and
enforcement mechanism;
imposes limits on political subdivision liens;
 provides that certain political subdivision liens are invalid against a subsequent
bona fide purchaser if the lien is not recorded or if certain notice is not provided
before the purchase;
 prohibits a county treasurer from including an item on the property tax notice unless
the item's inclusion is expressly authorized in statute;
 amends the items that a county treasurer is required to include on a property tax
notice;
► addresses the priority status of a political subdivision lien listed on the property tax



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notice;

26 allows a tax sale for delinquencies of any item that is statutorily authorized to be 27 included on the property tax notice; 28 ▶ amends Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes, to address items listed on 29 the property tax notice; and 30 • makes technical and conforming changes. 31 Money Appropriated in this Bill: 32 None 33 **Other Special Clauses:** 34 None 35 **Utah Code Sections Affected:** 36 AMENDS: 37 **10-7-30**, Utah Code Annotated 1953 10-8-17, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 378 38 39 **10-8-19**, Utah Code Annotated 1953 40 10-11-4, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 460 11-42-202, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapters 127 and 470 41 42 11-42-501, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 349 11-42-502, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 85 43 44 11-42-502.1, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 85 45 11-42a-201, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 470 46 11-42a-301, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 470 47 11-42a-303, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 470 17B-1-902, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 460 48 49 17B-2a-506, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 349 50 17B-2a-1007, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 258 51 **59-2-1305**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 1999, Chapter 207 52 **59-2-1317**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 353 53 59-2-1323, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 1988. Chapter 3 54 59-2-1324, as repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 1988, Chapter 3 55 **59-2-1331**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 201 56 **59-2-1332.5**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 368

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88	59-2-1301.5 , Utah Code Annotated 1953
89	REPEALS AND REENACTS:
90	10-7-31, Utah Code Annotated 1953
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92	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
93	Section 1. Section 10-7-30 is amended to read:
94	10-7-30. Failure to pay for repairs Lien on company's property.
95	(1) In the event of the refusal of any [such] company to pave, repave, or repair as
96	required [herein] in this section when so directed, upon the paving or repaving of any street
97	upon which [its] the company's track is laid, the municipality [shall have power to] may:
98	(a) pave, repave, or repair the [same,] street; and
99	(b) collect the cost and expense of [such] the paving, repaving, or repairing [may be
100	collected] by levy and sale of any property of [such] the company in the same manner as
101	special taxes are [now or may be] collected. [Special]
102	(2) The municipality may levy special taxes, for the purpose [of paying the cost of any
103	such paving or repaving, macadamizing] described in Subsection (1)(b) or repairing of [any
104	such] the railway [may be levied], upon:
105	(a) all as one property:
106	(i) the track, including the ties, iron, roadbed, right of way, sidetracks, and
107	appurtenances[7]; and
108	(ii) buildings and real estate belonging to [any such] the company and used for the
109	purpose of [such] the railway business [all as one property,]; or [upon such]
110	(b) the parts of [such] the track, appurtenances, and property as may be within the
111	district paved, repaved, macadamized, or repaired[, and shall be a lien upon the property levied
112	upon from the time of the levy until satisfied. No].
113	(3) (a) The municipality may record the levied special taxes described in Subsection (2)
114	as a political subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, upon the levied
115	property, in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority.
116	(b) Any mortgage, conveyance, pledge, transfer, or encumbrance of [any such] the
117	property or of any rolling stock or personal property of [any such] the company[, created or
118	suffered by it after the time when any street or part thereof upon which any railway shall have

119	been laid shall have been ordered paved, repaved, macadamized or repaired shall be made or
120	suffered except] that the company creates or suffers is subject to the lien [of such special taxes,
121	if such levy is in contemplation].
122	(c) If the lien amount is not paid in full in a given year:
123	(i) by September 15, the municipality shall certify any unpaid amount to the treasurer
124	of the county in which the liened property is located; and
125	(ii) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
126	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
127	Section 2. Section 10-7-31 is repealed and reenacted to read:
128	10-7-31. Sale of property to satisfy claims for special taxes.
129	(1) (a) The city treasurer may:
130	(i) seize any personal property belonging to any company described in Section 10-7-30
131	to satisfy a delinquent political subdivision lien described in Section 10-7-30; and
132	(ii) sell the seized personal property upon advertisement and in the same manner as
133	constables may sell personal property upon execution.
134	(b) Failure to seize and sell personal property in accordance with Subsection (1)(a)
135	does not affect or impair the lien described in Section 10-7-30 or any proceeding allowed by
136	law to enforce the lien.
137	(2) The county may sell all or a portion of the real property the company described in
138	Section 10-7-30 owns for the payment of the lien through a tax sale in accordance with Title
139	59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
140	Section 3. Section 10-8-17 is amended to read:
141	10-8-17. City may act as distributing agent Collection of operating costs from
142	users.
143	(1) When the governing body of a city is acting as distributing agent of water, not the
144	property of the corporation, outside of or within its corporate limits, the governing body may
145	annually [prior to], before the commencement of the irrigation season, determine and fix the
146	sum [deemed] considered necessary to meet the expense of the current year for the purpose of:
147	(a) controlling, regulating, and distributing [such] the water; and
148	(b) constructing and keeping in repair the necessary means for diverting, conveying,
149	and distributing the [same, and they] water.

150	(2) (a) The governing body may collect [such] the sum described in Subsection (1)
151	from the persons entitled to the use of [such] the water, pro rata according to acreage, whether
152	the acreage is situate within or without the corporate boundary of the city[; provided, that the
153	funds so derived may not be appropriated or used].
154	(b) The governing body may not appropriate or use the derived funds for any other
155	purpose[, and in] than the purposes described in Subsection (1).
156	(c) In the event that the governing body collects a greater sum [is collected] in any one
157	year than is necessary [for said purpose, the excess thereof shall be carried] under Subsection
158	(1), the governing body shall carry the excess to the account of the year next following and
159	[applied to the purpose for which it was collected. Such sum shall be fixed and collected as
160	provided by ordinance, and until collected the same shall be] apply the excess to the purposes
161	described in Subsection (1).
162	(d) The governing body shall enact an ordinance fixing and providing for the collection
163	of the sum described in Subsection (1).
164	(3) (a) Until the governing body collects the sum described in Subsection (1), the sum
165	is a political subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, on [such] the
166	subject water rights and the land irrigated [thereby] by the water, in accordance with Title 11,
167	Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority.
168	(b) If the lien amount is not paid in full in a given year:
169	(i) by September 15, the governing body shall certify any unpaid amount to the
170	treasurer of the county in which the liened property is located; and
171	(ii) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
172	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
173	Section 4. Section 10-8-19 is amended to read:
174	10-8-19. Water supply Special tax for increasing supply when city acting as
175	distributing agent.
176	(1) Whenever a city is acting as distributing agent of water, not the property of the
177	corporation, outside of or within the corporate limits of such city, upon written petition of the
178	owners of [such] the water, [it] the city may increase the supply of water [owned by such
179	persons] that the petitioners own by any means provided in Section 10-8-18[, and for that
180	purpose] <u>.</u>

181	(2) (a) To increase the supply of water under Subsection (1), the city may levy and
182	collect from the owners of [such] the water a tax not exceeding [such] the sum per acre of land
183	owned [by such persons as may have been] as agreed upon and designated in [said] the
184	petition[; said tax when so collected to be appropriated exclusively to said purposes, except
185	such part thereof].
186	(b) The city shall appropriate the tax collected under Subsection (2)(a) exclusively to
187	increase the supply of water under Subsection (1), except as is necessary to pay the expense of
188	levying and collecting the [same. Said tax shall constitute] tax.
189	(3) (a) Until the city collects the tax described in Subsection (2), the unpaid tax is a
190	political subdivision lien, as that term in defined in Section 11-58-102, upon the owner's water
191	rights [of the persons] and the land [irrigated thereby, and shall be levied and collected as
192	provided in Section 10-8-17] that the water irrigates, in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 58,
193	Political Subdivision Lien Authority.
194	(b) If the lien amount is not paid in full in a given year:
195	(i) by September 15, the city shall certify any unpaid amount to the treasurer of the
196	county in which the liened property is located; and
197	(ii) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
198	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
199	Section 5. Section 10-11-4 is amended to read:
200	10-11-4. Costs of removal to be included in tax notice.
201	(1) A municipality may certify to the treasurer of the county in which a property
202	described in Section 10-11-3 is located, the unpaid costs and expenses that the municipality has
203	incurred under Section 10-11-3 with regard to the property.
204	(2) If the municipality certifies with the treasurer of the county any costs or expenses
205	incurred for a property under Section 10-11-3, the treasurer shall enter the amount of the costs
206	and expenses on the assessment and tax rolls of the county in the column prepared for that
207	purpose.
208	(3) If current tax notices have been mailed, the treasurer of the county may carry the
209	costs and expenses described in Subsection (2) on the assessment and tax rolls to the following
210	year.

(4) (a) After entry by the treasurer of the county[7] under Subsection (2):

212	(i) the amount entered[: (a) shall have the force and effect of a valid judgment of the
213	district court; (b)] is a nonrecurring tax notice charge that constitutes a political subdivision
214	lien, as those terms are defined in Section 11-58-102, upon the property[; and] in accordance
215	with Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority; and
216	[(c)] (ii) [shall be collected by the] the treasurer of the county in which the property is
217	located shall collect the amount entered at the time of the payment of general taxes.
218	(b) (i) Notwithstanding Subsection (7), the municipality may pursue judicial
219	foreclosure to enforce the lien rather than relying on a tax sale.
220	(ii) If the municipality pursues judicial foreclosure under this Subsection (4)(b):
221	(A) the municipality shall record the lien in the office of the recorder of the county in
222	which the liened property is located; and
223	(B) the priority date of the lien, for the purpose of the judicial foreclosure, is the date
224	on which the municipality records the lien.
225	(5) Upon payment of the costs and expenses that the treasurer of the county enters
226	under Subsection (2):
227	[(a) the judgement is satisfied;]
228	[(b)] (a) the lien described in Subsection (4) is released from the property; [and]
229	(b) the municipality shall record a release of the lien in the office of the recorder of the
230	county in which the liened property is located; and
231	[(c)] (c) [receipt shall be acknowledged] the treasurer shall acknowledge receipt upon
232	the general tax receipt [issued by] that the treasurer issues.
233	(6) (a) If a municipality certifies unpaid costs and expenses under this section, the
234	treasurer of the county shall provide a notice, in accordance with this Subsection (6), to the
235	owner of the property for which the municipality has incurred the unpaid costs and expenses.
236	(b) In providing the notice required in Subsection (6)(a), the treasurer of the county
237	shall:
238	(i) include the amount of unpaid costs and expenses that a municipality has certified on
239	or before July 15 of the current year;
240	(ii) provide contact information, including a phone number, for the property owner to
241	contact the municipality to obtain more information regarding the amount described in
242	Subsection (6)(b)(i); and

243	(iii) notify the property owner that:
244	(A) unless the municipality completes a judicial foreclosure under Subsection (4)(b), if
245	the amount described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) is not paid in full by September 15 of the current
246	year, any unpaid amount will be included on the property tax notice required by Section
247	59-2-1317; and
248	(B) the failure to pay the amount described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) has resulted in a lien
249	on the property in accordance with [this section] Subsection (4).
250	(c) The treasurer of the county shall provide the notice required by this Subsection (6)
251	to a property owner on or before August 1.
252	(d) If the municipality pursues judicial foreclosure under Subsection (4)(b) and
253	completes the judicial foreclosure, before any tax sale proceedings on a property described in
254	Subsection (1), the treasurer of the county shall remove from the assessment roll any costs or
255	expenses that the treasurer added to the assessment roll under Subsection (2).
256	(7) If the amount described in Subsection (6)(b)(i) is not paid in full in a given year, by
257	September 15, the county treasurer shall include any unpaid amount on the property tax notice
258	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
259	[(7)] (8) This section does not apply to any public building, public structure, or public
260	improvement.
261	Section 6. Section 11-42-202 is amended to read:
262	11-42-202. Requirements applicable to a notice of a proposed assessment area
263	designation.
264	(1) Each notice required under Subsection 11-42-201(2)(a) shall:
265	(a) state that the local entity proposes to:
266	(i) designate one or more areas within the local entity's jurisdictional boundaries as an
267	assessment area;
268	(ii) provide an improvement to property within the proposed assessment area; and
269	(iii) finance some or all of the cost of improvements by an assessment on benefitted
270	property within the assessment area;
271	(b) describe the proposed assessment area by any reasonable method that allows an
272	owner of property in the proposed assessment area to determine that the owner's property is
273	within the proposed assessment area:

- (c) describe, in a general and reasonably accurate way, the improvements to be provided to the assessment area, including:
 - (i) the nature of the improvements; and
- (ii) the location of the improvements, by reference to streets or portions or extensions of streets or by any other means that the governing body chooses that reasonably describes the general location of the improvements;
 - (d) state the estimated cost of the improvements as determined by a project engineer;
- (e) for the version of notice mailed in accordance with Subsection (4)(b), state the estimated total assessment specific to the benefitted property for which the notice is mailed;
- (f) state that the local entity proposes to levy an assessment on benefitted property within the assessment area to pay some or all of the cost of the improvements according to the estimated benefits to the property from the improvements;
- (g) if applicable, state that an unassessed benefitted government property will receive improvements for which the cost will be allocated proportionately to the remaining benefitted properties within the proposed assessment area and that a description of each unassessed benefitted government property is available for public review at the location or website described in Subsection (6);
- (h) state the assessment method by which the governing body proposes to calculate the proposed assessment, including, if the local entity is a municipality or county, whether the assessment will be collected:
 - (i) by directly billing a property owner; or
- (ii) by inclusion on a property tax notice issued in accordance with Section 59-2-1317 and in compliance with Section 11-42-401;
 - (i) state:
- (i) the date described in Section 11-42-203 and the location at which protests against designation of the proposed assessment area or of the proposed improvements are required to be filed;
- (ii) the method by which the governing body will determine the number of protests required to defeat the designation of the proposed assessment area or acquisition or construction of the proposed improvements; and
 - (iii) in large, boldface, and conspicuous type that a property owner must protest the

305	designation of the assessment area in writing if the owner objects to the area designation or
306	being assessed for the proposed improvements, operation and maintenance costs, or economic
307	promotion activities;
308	(j) state the date, time, and place of the public hearing required in Section 11-42-204;
309	(k) if the governing body elects to create and fund a reserve fund under Section
310	11-42-702, include a description of:
311	(i) how the reserve fund will be funded and replenished; and
312	(ii) how remaining money in the reserve fund is to be disbursed upon full payment of
313	the bonds;
314	(1) if the governing body intends to designate a voluntary assessment area, include a
315	property owner consent form that:
316	(i) estimates the total assessment to be levied against the particular parcel of property;
317	(ii) describes any additional benefits that the governing body expects the assessed
318	property to receive from the improvements;
319	(iii) designates the date and time by which the fully executed consent form is required
320	to be submitted to the governing body; and
321	(iv) if the governing body intends to enforce an assessment lien on the property in
322	accordance with Subsection 11-42-502.1(2)[(c)](a)(ii)(C):
323	(A) appoints a trustee that satisfies the requirements described in Section 57-1-21;
324	(B) gives the trustee the power of sale; and
325	(C) explains that if an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when
326	due, the local entity may sell the property owner's property to satisfy the amount due plus
327	interest, penalties, and costs, in the manner described in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances;
328	(m) if the local entity intends to levy an assessment to pay operation and maintenance
329	costs or for economic promotion activities, include:
330	(i) a description of the operation and maintenance costs or economic promotion
331	activities to be paid by assessments and the initial estimated annual assessment to be levied;
332	(ii) a description of how the estimated assessment will be determined;
333	(iii) a description of how and when the governing body will adjust the assessment to
334	reflect the costs of:
335	(A) in accordance with Section 11-42-406, current economic promotion activities; or

336	(B) current operation and maintenance costs;
337	(iv) a description of the method of assessment if different from the method of
338	assessment to be used for financing any improvement; and
339	(v) a statement of the maximum number of years over which the assessment will be
340	levied for:
341	(A) operation and maintenance costs; or
342	(B) economic promotion activities;
343	(n) if the governing body intends to divide the proposed assessment area into
344	classifications under Subsection 11-42-201(1)(b), include a description of the proposed
345	classifications;
346	(o) if applicable, state the portion and value of the improvement that will be increased
347	in size or capacity to serve property outside of the assessment area and how the increases will
348	be financed; and
349	(p) state whether the improvements will be financed with a bond and, if so, the
350	currently estimated interest rate and term of financing, subject to Subsection (2), for which the
351	benefitted properties within the assessment area may be obligated.
352	(2) The estimated interest rate and term of financing in Subsection (1)(p) may not be
353	interpreted as a limitation to the actual interest rate incurred or the actual term of financing as
354	subject to the market rate at the time of the issuance of the bond.
355	(3) A notice required under Subsection 11-42-201(2)(a) may contain other information
356	that the governing body considers to be appropriate, including:
357	(a) the amount or proportion of the cost of the improvement to be paid by the local
358	entity or from sources other than an assessment;
359	(b) the estimated total amount of each type of assessment for the various improvements
360	to be financed according to the method of assessment that the governing body chooses; and
361	(c) provisions for any improvements described in Subsection 11-42-102(24)(a)(ii).
362	(4) Each notice required under Subsection 11-42-201(2)(a) shall:
363	(a) (i) (A) be published in a newspaper of general circulation within the local entity's
364	jurisdictional boundaries, once a week for four consecutive weeks, with the last publication at
365	least five but not more than 20 days before the day of the hearing required in Section
366	11-42-204; or

(B) if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the local entity's jurisdictional
boundaries, be posted in at least three public places within the local entity's jurisdictional
boundaries at least 20 but not more than 35 days before the day of the hearing required in
Section 11-42-204; and

- (ii) be published on the Utah Public Notice Website described in Section 63F-1-701 for four weeks before the deadline for filing protests specified in the notice under Subsection (1)(i); and
- (b) be mailed, postage prepaid, within 10 days after the first publication or posting of the notice under Subsection (4)(a) to each owner of property to be assessed within the proposed assessment area at the property owner's mailing address.
- (5) (a) The local entity may record the version of the notice that is published or posted in accordance with Subsection (4)(a) with the office of the county recorder, by legal description and tax identification number as identified in county records, against the property proposed to be assessed.
- (b) The notice recorded under Subsection (5)(a) expires and is no longer valid one year after the day on which the local entity records the notice if the local entity has failed to adopt the designation ordinance or resolution under Section 11-42-201 designating the assessment area for which the notice was recorded.
- (6) A local entity shall make available on the local entity's website, or, if no website is available, at the local entity's place of business, the address and type of use of each unassessed benefitted government property described in Subsection (1)(g).
- (7) If a governing body fails to provide actual or constructive notice under this section, the local entity may not assess a levy against a benefitted property omitted from the notice unless:
 - (a) the property owner gives written consent;
- (b) the property owner received notice under Subsection 11-42-401(2)(a)(iii) and did not object to the levy of the assessment before the final hearing of the board of equalization; or
- (c) the benefitted property is conveyed to a subsequent purchaser and, before the date of conveyance, the requirements of Subsections 11-42-206(3)(a)(i) and (ii), or, if applicable, Subsection 11-42-207(1)(d)(i) are met.
 - Section 7. Section 11-42-501 is amended to read:

398	11-42-501. Assessment constitutes a lien Characteristics of an assessment lien.
399	(1) [Each] If the governing body of the local entity that adopts an assessment resolution
400	or ordinance records the assessment resolution or ordinance and the notice of proposed
401	assessment, in accordance with Section 11-42-206, in the office of the recorder of the county in
402	which the assessed property is located, each assessment levied under this chapter, including any
403	installment of an assessment, interest, and any penalties and costs of collection, constitutes a
404	political subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, against the property
405	assessed, in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority, and
406	subject to the provisions of this chapter, as of the effective date of the assessment resolution or
407	ordinance.
408	(2) A lien under this section:
409	(a) is superior to the lien of a trust deed, mortgage, mechanic's or materialman's lien, or
410	other encumbrances;
411	(b) has the same priority as, but is separate and distinct from, a lien for general property
412	taxes;
413	(c) applies without interruption, change in priority, or alteration in any manner to any
414	reduced payment obligations; and
415	(d) continues until the assessments, reduced payment obligations, and any interest,
416	penalties, and costs are paid, despite:
417	(i) a sale of the property for or on account of a delinquent general property tax, special
418	tax, or other assessment; or
419	(ii) the issuance of a tax deed, an assignment of interest by the county, or a sheriff's
420	certificate of sale or deed.
421	Section 8. Section 11-42-502 is amended to read:
422	11-42-502. Enforcement of an assessment lien Pre-May 10, 2016, procedure.
423	(1) The provisions of this section apply to any property that is:
424	(a) (i) located within the boundaries of an assessment area; and
425	(ii) the subject of a foreclosure procedure initiated before May 10, 2016, for an
426	assessment or an installment of an assessment that is not paid when due; or
427	(b) located within the boundaries of an assessment area for which the local entity

issued an assessment bond or a refunding assessment bond:

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129	(i) before May 10, 2016;
430	(ii) that has not reached final maturity; and
431	(iii) that is not refinanced on or after May 10, 2016.
432	(2) (a) If an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when due[5] in a
433	given year:
434	(i) subject to Subsection (2)(b):
435	(A) by September 15, the governing body of the local entity that levies the assessment
436	shall certify any unpaid amount calculated as of the date of certification to the treasurer of the
437	county in which the assessed property is located; and
438	(B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
139	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year; and
440	(ii) the local entity may sell the property on which the assessment has been levied for
441	the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs, in the manner provided:
142	[(a)] (A) by resolution or ordinance of the local entity;
143	[(b)] (B) in Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes, for the sale of property
144	for delinquent general property taxes; or
145	[(c)] (C) in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances, as though the property were the subject
146	of a trust deed in favor of the local entity.
147	(b) (i) The certification of the unpaid amount described in Subsection (2)(a)(i):
148	(A) has no effect on the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs or other
149	requirements of the assessment as described in the assessment resolution or ordinance; and
450	(B) is required to provide for the ability of the local entity to collect the delinquent
451	assessment by the sale of property in a sale for delinquent general property taxes and tax notice
452	charges, as that term is defined in Section 59-2-1301.5, in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2,
453	Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
454	(ii) A local entity's failure to certify an amount in accordance with Subsection (2)(a)(i)
455	or a county treasurer's failure to include the certified amount on the property tax notice is not a
456	defense to and does not delay, prohibit, or diminish a local entity's lien rights or authority to
457	pursue any enforcement remedy, other than a delay in the local entity's ability to collect the
458	delinquent assessment as described in Subsection (2)(b)(i)(B).
159	(c) Nothing in Subsection (2)(a)(i) or in Title 11. Chapter 58. Political Subdivision

- Lien Authority, prohibits or diminishes a local entity's authority to pursue any remedy in Subsection (2)(a)(ii).
 - (3) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each tax sale under Subsection (2)[(b)](a)(ii)(B) shall be governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes, to the same extent as if the sale were for the sale of property for delinquent general property taxes.
 - (4) (a) In a foreclosure under Subsection (2)[(e)](a)(ii)(C):
 - (i) the local entity may bid at the sale;
 - (ii) the local entity's governing body shall designate a trustee satisfying the requirements of Section 57-1-21;
 - (iii) each trustee designated under Subsection (4)(a)(ii) has a power of sale with respect to the property that is the subject of the delinquent assessment lien;
 - (iv) the property that is the subject of the delinquent assessment lien is considered to have been conveyed to the trustee, in trust, for the sole purpose of permitting the trustee to exercise the trustee's power of sale under Subsection (4)(a)(iii);
 - (v) if no one bids at the sale and pays the local entity the amount due on the assessment, plus interest and costs, the property is considered sold to the local entity for those amounts; and
 - (vi) the local entity's chief financial officer may substitute and appoint one or more successor trustees, as provided in Section 57-1-22.
 - (b) The designation of a trustee under Subsection (4)(a)(ii) shall be disclosed in the notice of default that the trustee gives to commence the foreclosure, and need not be stated in a separate instrument.
 - (5) (a) The redemption of property that is the subject of a tax sale under Subsection (2)[(b)](a)(ii)(B) is governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
 - (b) The redemption of property that is the subject of a foreclosure proceeding under Subsection (2)[(e)](a)(ii)(C) is governed by Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances.
 - (6) (a) The remedies described in this part for the collection of an assessment and the enforcement of an assessment lien are cumulative.
 - (b) The use of one or more of the remedies described in this part does not deprive the local entity of any other available remedy or means of collecting the assessment or enforcing the assessment lien.

491	Section 9. Section 11-42-502.1 is amended to read:
492	11-42-502.1. Enforcement of an assessment lien Post-May 10, 2016, procedure.
493	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b), the provisions of this section apply to
494	any property that is:
495	(i) located within the boundaries of an assessment area; and
496	(ii) the subject of a foreclosure procedure initiated on or after May 10, 2016, for an
497	assessment or an installment of an assessment that is not paid when due.
498	(b) The provisions of this chapter do not apply to property described in Subsection
499	11-42-502(1)(b).
500	(2) (a) If an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when due[5] in a
501	given year:
502	(i) subject to Subsection (2)(b):
503	(A) by September 15, the governing body of the local entity that levies the assessment
504	shall certify any unpaid amount calculated as of the date of the certification to the treasurer of
505	the county in which the assessed property is located; and
506	(B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
507	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year; and
508	(ii) the local entity may sell the property on which the assessment has been levied for
509	the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs:
510	[(a)] (A) in the manner provided in Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes,
511	for the sale of property for delinquent general property taxes;
512	[(b)] (B) by judicial foreclosure; or
513	[(c)] (C) in the manner described in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances, if[:(i)] the
514	property is in a voluntary assessment area[;] and [(ii)] the owner of record of the property at the
515	time the local entity initiates the process to sell the property in accordance with Title 57,
516	Chapter 1, Conveyances, executed a property owner's consent form described in Subsection
517	11-42-202(1)(l) that includes a provision described in Subsection 11-42-202(1)(l)(iv).
518	(b) (i) The certification of the unpaid amount described in Subsection (2)(a)(i):
519	(A) has no effect on the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs or other
520	requirements of the assessment as described in the assessment resolution or ordinance; and
521	(B) is required to provide for the ability of the local entity to collect the delinquent

522	assessment by the sale of property in a sale for delinquent general property taxes and tax notice
523	charges, as that term is defined in Section 59-2-1301.5, in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2,
524	Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
525	(ii) A local entity's failure to certify an amount in accordance with Subsection (2)(a)(i)
526	or a county treasurer's failure to include the certified amount on the property tax notice is not a
527	defense to and does not delay, prohibit, or diminish a local entity's lien rights or authority to
528	pursue any enforcement remedy, other than a delay in the local entity's ability to collect the
529	delinquent assessment as described in Subsection (2)(b)(i)(B).
530	(c) Nothing in Subsection (2)(a)(i) or in Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision
531	Lien Authority, prohibits or diminishes a local entity's authority to pursue any remedy in
532	Subsection (2)(a)(ii).
533	(3) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each tax sale under Subsection
534	(2)(a)(ii)(A) shall be governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes, to the same
535	extent as if the sale were for the sale of property for delinquent general property taxes.
536	(4) (a) The redemption of property that is the subject of a tax sale under Subsection
537	(2)[(a)](a)(ii)(A) is governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
538	(b) The redemption of property that is the subject of a judicial foreclosure proceeding
539	under Subsection (2)[(b)](a)(ii)(B) is governed by Title 78B, Chapter 6, Part 9, Mortgage
540	Foreclosure.
541	(c) The redemption of property that is the subject of a foreclosure proceeding under
542	Subsection (2)[(e)](a)(ii)(C) is governed by Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances.
543	(5) (a) The remedies described in this part for the collection of an assessment and the
544	enforcement of an assessment lien are cumulative.
545	(b) The use of one or more of the remedies described in this part does not deprive the
546	local entity of any other available remedy or means of collecting the assessment or enforcing
547	the assessment lien.
548	Section 10. Section 11-42a-201 is amended to read:
549	11-42a-201. Resolution or ordinance designating an energy assessment area,
550	levying an assessment, and issuing an energy assessment bond.
551	(1) (a) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, and subject to the requirements of
552	this part, at the request of a property owner on whose property or for whose benefit an

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553 improvement is being installed or being reimbursed, a governing body of a local entity may 554 adopt an energy assessment resolution or an energy assessment ordinance that: 555 (i) designates an energy assessment area; 556 (ii) levies an assessment within the energy assessment area; and 557 (iii) if applicable, authorizes the issuance of an energy assessment bond. 558 (b) The boundaries of a proposed energy assessment area may: 559 (i) include property that is not intended to be assessed; and 560 (ii) overlap, be coextensive with, or be substantially coterminous with the boundaries 561 of any other energy assessment area or an assessment area created under Title 11, Chapter 42, 562 Assessment Area Act. 563 (c) The energy assessment resolution or ordinance described in Subsection (1)(a) is 564 adequate for purposes of identifying the property to be assessed within the energy assessment 565 area if the resolution or ordinance describes the property to be assessed by legal description and 566 tax identification number. (2) (a) A local entity that adopts an energy assessment resolution or ordinance under 567 568 Subsection (1)(a) shall give notice of the adoption by: 569 (i) publishing a copy or a summary of the resolution or ordinance once in a newspaper 570 of general circulation where the energy assessment area is located; or 571 (ii) if there is no newspaper of general circulation where the energy assessment area is 572 located, posting a copy of the resolution or ordinance in at least three public places within the 573 local entity's jurisdictional boundaries for at least 21 days. 574 (b) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(a), a local entity is not required to make any 575 other publication or posting of the resolution or ordinance. 576 (3) Notwithstanding any other statutory provision regarding the effective date of a 577 resolution or ordinance, each energy assessment resolution or ordinance takes effect: 578 (a) on the date of publication or posting of the notice under Subsection (2); or 579 (b) at a later date as provided in the resolution or ordinance. 580 (4) (a) The governing body of each local entity that has adopted an energy assessment 581 resolution or ordinance under Subsection (1) shall, within five days after the effective date of

the resolution or ordinance, file a notice of assessment interest with the recorder of the county

in which the property to be assessed is located.

584	(b) Each notice of assessment interest under Subsection (4)(a) shall:
585	(i) state that the local entity has an assessment interest in the property to be assessed;
586	and
587	(ii) describe the property to be assessed by legal description and tax identification
588	number.
589	(c) [A local entity's failure] If a local entity fails to file a notice of assessment interest
590	under this Subsection (4) [has no effect on the validity of an assessment levied under an energy
591	assessment resolution or ordinance adopted under Subsection (1).]:
592	(i) the failure does not invalidate the designation of an energy assessment area; and
593	(ii) the local entity may not assess a levy against a subsequent purchaser of a benefitted
594	property that lacked recorded notice unless:
595	(A) the subsequent purchaser gives written consent;
596	(B) the subsequent purchaser has actual notice of the assessment levy; or
597	(C) the subsequent purchaser purchased the property after a corrected notice was filed
598	under Subsection (4)(d).
599	(d) The local entity may file a corrected notice if the entity fails to comply with the date
600	or other requirements for filing a notice of assessment interest.
601	(e) If a governing body has filed a corrected notice under Subsection (4)(d), the local
602	entity may not retroactively collect or adjust the amount of the levy to recapture lost funds for a
603	levy that the local entity was prohibited from collecting, if applicable, under Subsection (4)(c).
604	Section 11. Section 11-42a-301 is amended to read:
605	11-42a-301. Assessment constitutes a lien Characteristics of an energy
606	assessment lien.
607	(1) [Each] If a local entity that adopts an assessment resolution or ordinance records
608	the assessment resolution or ordinance and the notice of proposed assessment, in accordance
609	with Section 11-42a-201, in the office of the recorder of the county in which the assessed
610	property is located, each assessment levied under this chapter, including any installment of an
611	assessment, interest, and any penalties and costs of collection, constitutes a political
612	subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, against the assessed property, in
613	accordance with Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority, and subject to the
614	provisions of this chapter, beginning on the effective date of the energy assessment resolution

615	or ordinance that the local entity adopts under Subsection 11-42a-201(1)(a).
616	(2) An energy assessment lien under this section:
617	(a) is superior to the lien of a trust deed, mortgage, mechanic's or materialman's lien, or
618	other encumbrances;
619	(b) has the same priority as, but is separate and distinct from:
620	(i) a lien for general property taxes; or
621	(ii) any other energy assessment lien levied under this chapter;
622	(c) applies to any reduced payment obligations without interruption, change in priority,
623	or alteration in any manner; and
624	(d) continues until the assessment and any related reduced payment obligations,
625	interest, penalties, and costs are paid, regardless of:
626	(i) a sale of the property for or on account of a delinquent general property tax, special
627	tax, or other assessment; or
628	(ii) the issuance of a tax deed, an assignment of interest by the county, or a sheriff's
629	certificate of sale or deed.
630	Section 12. Section 11-42a-303 is amended to read:
631	11-42a-303. Enforcement of an energy assessment lien.
632	(1) (a) If an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when due[5] in a
633	given year:
634	(i) subject to Subsection (1)(c):
635	(A) by September 15, the governing body of the local entity that levies the assessment
636	shall certify any unpaid amount calculated as of the date of certification to the treasurer of the
637	county in which the assessed property is located; and
638	(B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice
639	required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year; and
640	(ii) the local entity may sell the property on which the assessment has been levied for
641	the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs:
642	[(a)] (A) in the manner provided in Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes,
643	for the sale of property for delinquent general property taxes;
644	[(b)] (B) by judicial foreclosure; or
645	[(c)] (C) in the manner provided in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances, as though the

646	property were the subject of a trust deed in favor of the local entity if the owner of record of the
647	property at the time the local entity initiates the process to sell the property in accordance with
648	Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances, has executed a property owner's consent form [that:] in
649	accordance with Subsection (1)(b).
650	(b) The local entity shall ensure that the consent form described in Subsection
651	(1)(a)(ii)(C):
652	(i) estimates the total assessment to be levied against the particular parcel of property;
653	(ii) describes any additional benefits that the local entity expects the assessed property
654	to receive from the improvements;
655	(iii) designates the date and time by which the fully executed consent form is required
656	to be submitted to the local entity; and
657	(iv) (A) appoints a trustee that satisfies the requirements described in Section 57-1-21;
658	(B) gives the trustee the power of sale; and
659	(C) explains that if an assessment or an installment of an assessment is not paid when
660	due, the local entity may sell the property owner's property to satisfy the amount due plus
661	interest, penalties, and costs, in the manner described in Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances.
662	(c) (i) The certification of the unpaid amount described in Subsection (1)(a)(i):
663	(A) has no effect on the amount due plus interest, penalties, and costs or other
664	requirements of the energy assessment as described in the energy assessment resolution or
665	ordinance; and
666	(B) is required to provide for the ability of the local entity to collect the delinquent
667	energy assessment by the sale of property in a sale for delinquent general property taxes and tax
668	notice charges, as that term is defined in Section 59-2-1301.5, in accordance with Title 59,
669	Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
670	(ii) A local entity's failure to certify an amount in accordance with Subsection (1)(a)(i)
671	or a county treasurer's failure to include the certified amount on the property tax notice is not a
672	defense to and does not delay, prohibit, or diminish a local entity's lien rights or authority to
673	pursue any enforcement remedy, other than a delay in the local entity's ability to collect the
674	delinquent energy assessment as described in Subsection (1)(c)(i)(B).
675	(d) Nothing in Subsection (1)(a)(i) or in Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision
676	Lien Authority, prohibits or diminishes a local entity's authority to pursue any remedy in

677	Subsection (1)(a)(ii).
678	(2) If the local entity has assigned the local entity's rights to a third-party lender under
679	Section 11-42a-302, the local entity shall provide written instructions to the third-party lender
680	as to which method of enforcement the third-party lender shall pursue.
681	(3) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, each tax sale under Subsection
682	(1)[(b)](a)(ii)(B) is governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes, to the same
683	extent as if the sale were for the sale of property for delinquent general property taxes.
684	(4) (a) In a foreclosure under Subsection (1)[(e)](a)(ii)(C):
685	(i) the local entity may bid at the sale;
686	(ii) if no one bids at the sale and pays the local entity the amount due on the
687	assessment, plus interest and costs, the property is considered sold to the local entity for those
688	amounts; and
689	(iii) the local entity's chief financial officer may substitute and appoint one or more
690	successor trustees, as provided in Section 57-1-22.
691	(b) (i) The local entity shall disclose the designation of a trustee under Subsection
692	(4)(a)(ii) in the notice of default that the trustee gives to commence the foreclosure.
693	(ii) The local entity is not required to disclose the designation of a trustee under
694	Subsection (4)(a)(ii) in an instrument separate from the notice described in Subsection
695	(4)(b)(i).
696	(5) (a) The redemption of property that is the subject of a tax sale under Subsection
697	(1)(b) is governed by Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of Taxes.
698	(b) The redemption of property that is the subject of a foreclosure proceeding under
699	Subsection (1)[(c)](a)(ii)(C) is governed by Title 57, Chapter 1, Conveyances.
700	(6) The remedies described in this part for the collection of an assessment and the
701	enforcement of an energy assessment lien are cumulative, and the use of one or more of those
702	remedies does not deprive the local entity of any other available remedy, means of collecting

the assessment, or means of enforcing the energy assessment lien.

Section 13. Section 11-58-101 is enacted to read:

CHAPTER 58. POLITICAL SUBDIVISION LIEN AUTHORITY

706 <u>11-58-101.</u> Title.

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This chapter is known as "Political Subdivision Lien Authority."

708	Section 14. Section 11-58-102 is enacted to read:
709	<u>11-58-102.</u> Definitions.
710	As used in this chapter:
711	(1) "Direct charge" means a charge, fee, assessment, or amount, other than a property
712	tax, that a political subdivision charges to a property owner.
713	(2) "Nonrecurring tax notice charge" means a tax notice charge that a political
714	subdivision certifies to the county treasurer on a one-time or case-by-case basis rather than
715	regularly over multiple calendar years.
716	(3) "Notice of lien" means a notice that:
717	(a) a political subdivision records in the office of the recorder of the county in which a
718	property that is the subject of a nonrecurring tax notice charge is located; and
719	(b) describes the nature and amount of the nonrecurring tax notice charge and whether
720	the political subdivision intends to certify the charge to the county treasurer under statutory
721	authority that allows the treasurer to place the charge on the property tax notice described in
722	Section 59-2-1317.
723	(4) "Political subdivision" means:
724	(a) a county, as that term is defined in Section 17-50-101;
725	(b) a municipality, as that term is defined in Section 10-1-104;
726	(c) a local district, as that term is defined in Section 17B-1-102;
727	(d) a special service district, as that term is defined in Section 17D-1-102;
728	(e) an interlocal entity, as that term is defined in Section 11-13-103;
729	(f) a community reinvestment agency created under Title 17C, Limited Purpose Local
730	Government Entities - Community Reinvestment Agency Act;
731	(g) a local building authority, as that term is defined in Section 17D-2-102;
732	(h) a conservation district, as that term is defined in Section 17D-3-102; or
733	(i) a local entity, as that term is defined in Sections 11-42-102 and 11-42a-102.
734	(5) "Political subdivision lien" means a lien that a statute expressly authorizes a
735	political subdivision to hold and record, including a direct charge that constitutes, according to
736	an express statutory provision, a lien.
737	(6) "Property tax" means a tax imposed on real property under Title 59, Chapter 2,
738	Property Tax Act, Title 59, Chapter 3, Tax Equivalent Property Act, or Title 59, Chapter 4,

/39	Privilege Tax.
740	(7) "Tax notice charge" means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-2-1301.5.
741	(8) "Tax sale" means the tax sale described in Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection
742	of Taxes.
743	Section 15. Section 11-58-103 is enacted to read:
744	11-58-103. Political subdivision liens Status Limitations.
745	(1) Unless expressly granted in statute, a political subdivision has no lien authority or
746	lien rights when a property owner fails to pay a direct charge for:
747	(a) a service that the political subdivision renders; or
748	(b) a product, an item, or goods that the political subdivision delivers.
749	(2) A political subdivision lien other than a lien described in Subsection (3):
750	(a) (i) is not equivalent to and does not have the same priority as property tax; and
751	(ii) is not subject to the same collection and tax sale procedures as a property tax;
752	(b) is effective as of the date on which the lienholder records the lien in the office of
753	the recorder of the county in which the property is located;
754	(c) is subordinate in priority to all encumbrances on the property existing on the date
755	on which the municipality records the lien; and
756	(d) is invalid and does not attach to the property if:
757	(i) the lienholder does not record the lien; or
758	(ii) a subsequent bona fide purchaser purchases the liened property for value before the
759	lienholder records the lien.
760	(3) (a) A political subdivision lien that is included on the property tax notice in
761	accordance with Section 59-2-1317 or another express statutory provision:
762	(i) under Subsection 59-2-1317(3), has the same priority as a property tax and is
763	subject to collection in a tax sale in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13, Collection of
764	Taxes, if:
765	(A) in order to hold the lien, statute requires the lienholder to record the lien or a
766	resolution, notice, ordinance, or order, and the lienholder makes the required recording, or
767	(B) statute does not require the lienholder to record the lien or a resolution, notice,
768	ordinance, or order; and
769	(ii) except as provided in Subsection (3)(b):

770	(A) attaches to the property; and
771	(B) is valid against a subsequent bona fide purchaser of the property.
772	(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (3)(a)(ii), a nonrecurring tax notice charge does not
773	attach to the property and is invalid against a subsequent bona fide purchaser if the recording of
774	a document conveying title to the subsequent bona fide purchaser occurs before the earlier of:
775	(i) the recording of the lien or a notice of lien in the office of the recorder of the county
776	in which the liened property is located; or
777	(ii) the mailing of the property tax notice that includes the nonrecurring tax notice
778	<u>charge.</u>
779	(4) If the holder of a political subdivision lien records the lien or a notice of lien, upon
780	payment of the amount that constitutes the lien:
781	(a) the lien is released from the property; and
782	(b) the lienholder shall record a release of the lien or the notice of lien in the same
783	recorder's office in which the lienholder recorded the lien or the notice of the lien.
784	(5) Unless otherwise expressly stated in statute, a partial payment of an amount
785	constituting a political subdivision lien, including all costs, charges, interest, and amounts
786	accrued since the unpaid amount was certified to the county treasurer, is not a release of any
787	assessment to be paid in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 42, Assessment Area Act, or Title
788	11, Chapter 42a, Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Act.
789	(6) Nothing in this section limits a political subdivision's lien authority, lien rights, or
790	remedies otherwise provided in statute, a contract, a judgment, or another property interest.
791	Section 16. Section 17B-1-902 is amended to read:
792	17B-1-902. Lien for past due service fees Notice Partial payment allocation.
793	(1) (a) A local district may [file] hold a lien on a customer's property for past due fees
794	for commodities, services, or facilities that the district has provided to the customer's property
795	by certifying, subject to Subsection (3), to the treasurer of the county in which the customer's
796	property is located the amount of past due fees, including, subject to Section 17B-1-902.1,
797	applicable interest and administrative costs.
798	(b) (i) Upon certification under Subsection (1)(a), the past due fees, and if applicable,
799	interest and administrative costs, become a political subdivision lien that is a nonrecurring tax
800	notice charge, as those terms are defined in Section 11-58-102, on the customer's property to

801	which the commodities, services, or facilities were provided in accordance with Title 11,
802	Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority.
803	[(c)] (ii) A lien [filed in accordance with this section] described in this Subsection (1)
804	has the same priority as, but is separate and distinct from, a property tax lien.
805	(2) (a) If a local district certifies past due fees under Subsection (1)(a), the treasurer of
806	the county shall provide a notice, in accordance with this Subsection (2), to the owner of the
807	property for which the local district has incurred the past due fees.
808	(b) In providing the notice required in Subsection (2)(a), the treasurer of the county
809	shall:
810	(i) include the amount of past due fees that a local district has certified on or before
811	July 15 of the current year;
812	(ii) provide contact information, including a phone number, for the property owner to
813	contact the local district to obtain more information regarding the amount described in
814	Subsection (2)(b)(i); and
815	(iii) notify the property owner that:
816	(A) if the amount described in Subsection (2)(b)(i) is not paid in full by September 15
817	of the current year, any unpaid amount will be included on the property tax notice required by
818	Section 59-2-1317; and
819	(B) the failure to pay the amount described in Subsection (2)(b)(i) has resulted in a lien
820	on the property in accordance with [this section] Subsection (1)(b).
821	(c) The treasurer of the county shall provide the notice required by this Subsection (2)
822	to a property owner on or before August 1.
823	(3) (a) If a local district certifies [past due fees under] an unpaid amount in accordance
824	with Subsection (1)(a), the county treasurer shall include the unpaid amount on a property tax
825	notice issued in accordance with Section 59-2-1317 [an unpaid fee, administrative cost, or
826	interest described in Subsection (1)(a)].
827	(b) If an unpaid fee, administrative cost, or interest is included on a property tax notice
828	in accordance with Subsection (3)(a), the county treasurer shall on the property tax notice:
829	(i) clearly state that the unpaid fee, administrative cost, or interest is for a service
830	provided by the local district; and

(ii) itemize the unpaid fee, administrative cost, or interest separate from any other tax,

832	fee, interest, or penalty that is included on the property tax notice in accordance with Section
833	59-2-1317.
834	(4) A lien under Subsection (1) is not valid if the local district makes certification
835	under Subsection [(1) is made] (1)(a) after the filing for record of a document conveying title of
836	the customer's property to a new owner.
837	(5) Nothing in this section may be construed to:
838	(a) waive or release the customer's obligation to pay fees that the district has imposed;
839	(b) preclude the certification of a lien under Subsection (1) with respect to past due
840	fees for commodities, services, or facilities provided after the date that title to the property is
841	transferred to a new owner; or
842	(c) nullify or terminate a valid lien.
843	(6) After all amounts owing under a lien established as provided in this section have
844	been paid, the local district shall file for record in the county recorder's office a release of the
845	lien.
846	Section 17. Section 17B-2a-506 is amended to read:
847	17B-2a-506. Different use charges for different units Use charges based on the
848	size of the land served Use charge may not be based on property value.
849	(1) An irrigation district may:
850	(a) divide the district into units and apply different use charges to the different units;
851	and
852	(b) base use charges upon the amount of water or electricity the district provides, the
853	area of the land served, or any other reasonable basis, as determined by the board of trustees.
854	(2) If an irrigation district imposes a use charge based on the size of the land served or
855	the amount of water allotted to the land:
856	(a) the assessor of the county in which the land is located shall assist the irrigation
857	district in ascertaining the identity of a parcel served by the district;
858	(b) the district shall notify the treasurer of the county in which the land is located of the
859	charge to be imposed for each parcel of land served by the district; and
860	(c) the treasurer of the county in which the land is located:
861	(i) shall:
862	(A) provide each landowner a notice of use charges as part of the annual tax notice

863	required in Section 59-2-1317 as an additional charge separate from ad valorem taxes;
864	(B) collect, receive, and provide an accounting for all money belonging to the district
865	from use charges; [and]
866	(C) remit to the irrigation district, by the tenth day of each month, the funds previously
867	collected by the county as use charges on the district's behalf; and
868	(D) collect any unpaid use charges in accordance with Title 59, Chapter 2, Part 13,
869	Collection of Taxes; and
870	(ii) may receive and account for use charges separately from taxes upon real estate for
871	county purposes.
872	(3) (a) A use charge described in Subsection (2)(b) [shall become a lien] is a political
873	subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, on the land served, as provided
874	in [Section 17B-1-902] Subsection 17B-1-902(1), except that the certification described in
875	Subsection 17B-1-902(1)(a) is not required if the district makes the notification to the county
876	treasurer required in Subsection (2)(b).
877	(b) A lien described in Subsection (3)(a) shall remain in force until the use charge is
878	paid.
879	(c) The county treasurer shall release a lien described in Subsection (3)(a) upon receipt
880	of full payment of the use charge.
881	(4) A use charge may not be calculated on the basis of property value and does not
882	constitute an ad valorem property tax or other tax.
883	Section 18. Section 17B-2a-1007 is amended to read:
884	17B-2a-1007. Contract assessments.
885	(1) As used in this section:
886	(a) "Assessed land" means:
887	(i) for a contract assessment under a water contract with a private water user, the land
888	owned by the private water user that receives the beneficial use of water under the water
889	contract; or
890	(ii) for a contract assessment under a water contract with a public water user, the land
891	within the boundaries of the public water user that is within the boundaries of the water
892	conservancy district and that receives the beneficial use of water under the water contract.
893	(b) "Contract assessment" means an assessment levied as provided in this section by a

894	water conservancy district on assessed land.
895	(c) "Governing body" means:
896	(i) for a county, city, or town, the legislative body of the county, city, or town;
897	(ii) for a local district, the board of trustees of the local district;
898	(iii) for a special service district:
899	(A) the legislative body of the county, city, or town that established the special service
900	district, if no administrative control board has been appointed under Section 17D-1-301; or
901	(B) the administrative control board of the special service district, if an administrative
902	control board has been appointed under Section 17D-1-301; and
903	(iv) for any other political subdivision of the state, the person or body with authority to
904	govern the affairs of the political subdivision.
905	(d) "Petitioner" means a private petitioner or a public petitioner.
906	(e) "Private petitioner" means an owner of land within a water conservancy district
907	who submits a petition to a water conservancy district under Subsection (3) to enter into a
908	water contract with the district.
909	(f) "Private water user" means an owner of land within a water conservancy district
910	who enters into a water contract with the district.
911	(g) "Public petitioner" means a political subdivision of the state:
912	(i) whose territory is partly or entirely within the boundaries of a water conservancy
913	district; and
914	(ii) that submits a petition to a water conservancy district under Subsection (3) to enter
915	into a water contract with the district.
916	(h) "Public water user" means a political subdivision of the state:
917	(i) whose territory is partly or entirely within the boundaries of a water conservancy
918	district; and
919	(ii) that enters into a water contract with the district.
920	(i) "Water contract" means a contract between a water conservancy district and a
921	private water user or a public water user under which the water user purchases, leases, or
922	otherwise acquires the beneficial use of water from the water conservancy district for the
923	benefit of:
924	(i) land owned by the private water user; or

925 (ii) land within the public water user's boundaries that is also within the boundaries of 926 the water conservancy district. 927 (i) "Water user" means a private water user or a public water user. 928 (2) A water conservancy district may levy a contract assessment as provided in this 929 section. 930 (3) (a) The governing body of a public petitioner may authorize its chief executive 931 officer to submit a written petition on behalf of the public petitioner to a water conservancy 932 district requesting to enter into a water contract. 933 (b) A private petitioner may submit a written petition to a water conservancy district 934 requesting to enter into a water contract. 935 (c) Each petition under this Subsection (3) shall include: 936 (i) the petitioner's name; 937 (ii) the quantity of water the petitioner desires to purchase or otherwise acquire; 938 (iii) a description of the land upon which the water will be used; 939 (iv) the price to be paid for the water; 940 (v) the amount of any service, turnout, connection, distribution system, or other charge 941 to be paid; 942 (vi) whether payment will be made in cash or annual installments: 943 (vii) a provision requiring the contract assessment to become a lien on the land for 944 which the water is petitioned and is to be allotted; and 945 (viii) an agreement that the petitioner is bound by the provisions of this part and the 946 rules and regulations of the water conservancy district board of trustees. 947 (4) (a) If the board of a water conservancy district desires to consider a petition 948 submitted by a petitioner under Subsection (3), the board shall: 949 (i) publish notice of the petition and of the hearing required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii) 950 at least once a week in two successive weeks in a newspaper of general circulation within the 951 county in which the political subdivision or private petitioner's land, as the case may be, is 952 located: and 953 (ii) hold a public hearing on the petition. 954 (b) Each notice under Subsection (4)(a)(i) shall: 955 (i) state that a petition has been filed and that the district is considering levying a

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- (ii) give the date, time, and place of the hearing required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii).
- (c) (i) At each hearing required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), the board of trustees of the water conservancy district shall:
 - (A) allow any interested person to appear and explain why the petition should not be granted; and
 - (B) consider each written objection to the granting of the petition that the board receives before or at the hearing.
 - (ii) The board of trustees may adjourn and reconvene the hearing as the board considers appropriate.
 - (d) (i) Any interested person may file with the board of the water conservancy district, at or before the hearing under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), a written objection to the district's granting a petition.
 - (ii) Each person who fails to submit a written objection within the time provided under Subsection (4)(d)(i) is considered to have consented to the district's granting the petition and levying a contract assessment.
 - (5) After holding a public hearing as required under Subsection (4)(a)(ii), the board of trustees of a water conservancy district may:
 - (a) deny the petition; or
 - (b) grant the petition, if the board considers granting the petition to be in the best interests of the district.
 - (6) The board of a water conservancy district that grants a petition under this section may:
 - (a) make an allotment of water for the benefit of assessed land;
 - (b) authorize any necessary construction to provide for the use of water upon the terms and conditions stated in the water contract;
 - (c) divide the district into units and fix a different rate for water purchased or otherwise acquired and for other charges within each unit, if the rates and charges are equitable, although not equal and uniform, for similar classes of services throughout the district; and
 - (d) levy a contract assessment on assessed land.
 - (7) (a) The board of trustees of each water conservancy district that levies a contract

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- (i) cause a certified copy of the resolution, ordinance, or order levying the assessment to be recorded in the office of the recorder of each county in which assessed land is located; and
- (ii) on or before July 1 of each year after levying the contract assessment, certify to the auditor of each county in which assessed land is located the amount of the contract assessment.
- (b) Upon the recording of the resolution [or ordinance under], ordinance, or order, in accordance with Subsection (7)(a)(i)[-]:
- (i) the contract assessment associated with allotting water to the assessed land under the water contract becomes a [perpetual lien] political subdivision lien, as that term is defined in Section 11-58-102, on the assessed land[:], in accordance with Title 11, Chapter 58, Political Subdivision Lien Authority, as of the effective date of the resolution, ordinance, or order; and
- (ii) (A) the board of trustees of the water conservancy district shall certify the amount of the assessment to the county treasurer; and
- (B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
- (c) (i) Each county in which assessed land is located shall collect the contract assessment in the same manner as taxes levied by the county.
- (ii) If the amount of a contract assessment levied under this section is not paid in full in a given year:
- (A) by September 15, the governing body of the water conservancy district that levies the contract assessment shall certify any unpaid amount to the treasurer of the county in which the property is located; and
- (B) the county treasurer shall include the certified amount on the property tax notice required by Section 59-2-1317 for that year.
- (8) (a) The board of trustees of each water conservancy district that levies a contract assessment under this section shall:
- (i) hold a public hearing, before August 8 of each year in which a contract assessment is levied, to hear and consider objections filed under Subsection (8)(b); and
 - (ii) twice publish a notice, at least a week apart:
- 1017 (A) [(I)] in a newspaper of general circulation in each county with assessed land

- included within the district boundaries[;] or [(H)], if there is no newspaper of general circulation within the county, in a newspaper of general circulation in an adjoining county; and
 - (B) that contains [:(H)] a general description of the assessed land [:(H)], the amount of the contract assessment [:], and [(HH)] the time and place of the public hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i).
 - (b) An owner of assessed land within the water conservancy district who believes that the contract assessment on the owner's land is excessive, erroneous, or illegal may, before the hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i), file with the board of trustees a verified, written objection to the assessment, stating the grounds for the objection.
 - (c) (i) At each hearing under Subsection (8)(a)(i), the board of trustees shall hear and consider the evidence and arguments supporting each objection.
 - (ii) After hearing and considering the evidence and arguments supporting an objection, the board of trustees:
 - (A) shall enter a written order, stating its decision; and
 - (B) may modify the assessment.
- (d) (i) An owner of assessed land may file a petition in district court seeking review of a board of trustees' order under Subsection (8)(c)(ii)(A).
 - (ii) Each petition under Subsection (8)(d)(i) shall:
 - (A) be filed within 30 days after the board enters its written order;
 - (B) state specifically the part of the board's order for which review is sought; and
 - (C) be accompanied by a bond with good and sufficient security in an amount not exceeding \$200, as determined by the court clerk.
 - (iii) If more than one owner of assessed land seeks review, the court may, upon a showing that the reviews may be consolidated without injury to anyone's interests, consolidate the reviews and hear them together.
 - (iv) The court shall act as quickly as possible after a petition is filed.
 - (v) A court may not disturb a board of trustees' order unless the court finds that the contract assessment on the petitioner's assessed land is manifestly disproportionate to assessments imposed upon other land in the district.
 - (e) If no petition under Subsection (8)(d) is timely filed, the contract assessment is conclusively considered to have been made in proportion to the benefits conferred on the land

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1049	in the district.
1050	(9) Each resolution, ordinance, or order under which a water conservancy district
1051	levied a Class B, Class C, or Class D assessment before April 30, 2007, under the law in effect
1052	at the time of the levy is validated, ratified, and confirmed, and a water conservancy district
1053	may continue to levy the assessment according to the terms of the resolution, ordinance, or
1054	order.
1055	(10) A contract assessment is not a levy of an ad valorem property tax and is not
1056	subject to the limits stated in Section 17B-2a-1006.
1057	Section 19. Section 59-2-1301.5 is enacted to read:
1058	<u>59-2-1301.5.</u> Definitions.
1059	As used in this part:
1060	(1) "Tax notice charge" means an amount that:
1061	(a) a property owner owes to a tax notice charge entity in relation to real property; and
1062	(b) the county treasurer lists on the property tax notice in accordance with Section
1063	59-2-1317 or another statutory authorization allowing the item's inclusion on the property tax
1064	notice.
1065	(2) "Tax notice charge entity" means the entity that certifies to the county treasurer an
1066	outstanding amount that:
1067	(a) a property owner owes to the entity in relation to the property; and
1068	(b) the county treasurer lists on the property tax notice as a tax notice charge.
1069	Section 20. Section 59-2-1305 is amended to read:
1070	59-2-1305. Entries of payments made Payments to county treasurer.
1071	(1) The assessor or, if this duty has been reassigned in an ordinance under Section
1072	17-16-5.5, the treasurer shall note on the assessment roll, opposite the names of each person
1073	against whom taxes have been assessed or tax notice charges have been listed, the amount of
1074	the taxes and tax notice charges paid.
1075	(2) (a) The assessor or treasurer, as the case may be, shall require all checks to be made
1076	payable to the office of the county assessor or treasurer, respectively.
1077	(b) If the assessor or treasurer receives checks made payable to a payee other than the

office of the county assessor or treasurer, respectively, the assessor or treasurer, as the case may

be, shall immediately endorse the check with a restrictive endorsement that makes the check

1080	payable to the office of the county treasurer.
1081	(3) The assessor shall deposit all money the assessor collects into an account controlled
1082	by the county treasurer.
1083	Section 21. Section 59-2-1317 is amended to read:
1084	59-2-1317. Tax notice Contents of notice Procedures and requirements for
1085	providing notice.
1086	(1) As used in this section, "political subdivision lien" means the same as that term is
1087	defined in Section 11-58-102.
1088	[(1)] (2) Subject to the other provisions of this section, the county treasurer shall:
1089	(a) collect the taxes and tax notice charges; and
1090	(b) provide a notice to each taxpayer that contains the following:
1091	(i) the kind and value of property assessed to the taxpayer;
1092	(ii) the street address of the property, if available to the county;
1093	(iii) that the property may be subject to a detailed review in the next year under Section
1094	59-2-303.1;
1095	(iv) the amount of taxes levied;
1096	(v) a separate statement of the taxes levied only on a certain kind or class of property
1097	for a special purpose;
1098	(vi) property tax information pertaining to taxpayer relief, options for payment of
1099	taxes, and collection procedures;
1100	(vii) any tax notice charges applicable to the property, including:
1101	(A) if applicable, a political subdivision lien for road damage that a railroad company
1102	causes, as described in Section 10-7-30;
1103	(B) if applicable, a political subdivision lien for municipal water distribution, as
1104	described in Section 10-8-17, or a political subdivision lien for an increase in supply from a
1105	municipal water distribution, as described in Section 10-8-19;
1106	(C) if applicable, a political subdivision lien for unpaid abatement fees as described in
1107	Section 10-11-4;
1108	[(vii)] (D) if applicable, [the amount] a political subdivision lien for the unpaid portion
1109	of an assessment assessed in accordance with [Section 11-42-401;] Title 11, Chapter 42,
1110	Assessment Area Act or Title 11 Chanter 42a Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy

1111	Act, including unpaid costs, charges, and interest as of the date the local entity certifies the
1112	unpaid amount to the county treasurer;
1113	[(viii)] (E) if applicable, for a local district in accordance with Section 17B-1-902, a
1114	political subdivision lien for an unpaid fee, administrative cost, or interest [for a local district in
1115	accordance with Section 17B-1-902];
1116	(F) if applicable, a political subdivision lien for an unpaid irrigation district use charge
1117	as described in Section 17B-2a-506; and
1118	(G) if applicable, a political subdivision lien for a contract assessment under a water
1119	contract, as described in Section 17B-2a-1007;
1120	(viii) a statement that, due to potentially ongoing charges, costs, penalties, and interest,
1121	payment of a tax notice charge may not:
1122	(A) pay off the full amount the property owner owes to the tax notice entity; or
1123	(B) cause a release of the lien underlying the tax notice charge;
1124	(ix) the date the taxes and tax notice charges are due;
1125	(x) the street address at which the taxes and tax notice charges may be paid;
1126	(xi) the date on which the taxes and tax notice charges are delinquent;
1127	(xii) the penalty imposed on delinquent taxes and tax notice charges;
1128	(xiii) a statement that explains the taxpayer's right to direct allocation of a partial
1129	payment in accordance with Subsection $[(7)]$ (9) ;
1130	(xiv) other information specifically authorized to be included on the notice under this
1131	chapter; and
1132	(xv) other property tax information approved by the commission.
1133	(3) (a) Unless expressly allowed under this section or another statutory provision, the
1134	treasurer may not add an amount to be collected to the property tax notice.
1135	(b) If the county treasurer adds an amount to be collected to the property tax notice
1136	under this section or another statutory provision that expressly authorizes the item's inclusion
1137	on the property tax notice:
1138	(i) the amount constitutes a tax notice charge; and
1139	(ii) (A) the tax notice charge has the same priority as property tax; and
1140	(B) a delinquency of the tax notice charge triggers a tax sale, in accordance with
1141	Section 59-2-1343.

1142 [(2)] (4) For any property for which property taxes or tax notice charges are delinquent, 1143 the notice described in Subsection [(1)] (2) shall state, "Prior taxes or tax notice charges are 1144 delinquent on this parcel." $\left[\frac{(3)}{(5)}\right]$ Except as provided in Subsection $\left[\frac{(4)}{(6)}\right]$ (6), the county treasurer shall: 1145 1146 (a) mail the notice required by this section, postage prepaid; or 1147 (b) leave the notice required by this section at the taxpayer's residence or usual place of 1148 business, if known. 1149 $\left[\frac{(4)}{(4)}\right]$ (6) (a) Subject to the other provisions of this Subsection $\left[\frac{(4)}{(4)}\right]$ (6), a county 1150 treasurer may, at the county treasurer's discretion, provide the notice required by this section by 1151 electronic mail if a taxpayer makes an election, according to procedures determined by the 1152 county treasurer, to receive the notice by electronic mail. 1153 (b) A taxpayer may revoke an election to receive the notice required by this section by 1154 electronic mail if the taxpayer provides written notice to the treasurer on or before October 1. 1155 (c) A revocation of an election under this section does not relieve a taxpayer of the 1156 duty to pay a tax or tax notice charge due under this chapter on or before the due date for 1157 paying the tax or tax notice charge. (d) A county treasurer shall provide the notice required by this section using a method 1158 1159 described in Subsection $[\frac{3}{2}]$ (5), until a taxpayer makes a new election in accordance with this 1160 Subsection [(4)] (6), if: 1161 (i) the taxpayer revokes an election in accordance with Subsection [(4+)] (6)(b) to 1162 receive the notice required by this section by electronic mail; or 1163 (ii) the county treasurer finds that the taxpayer's electronic mail address is invalid. 1164 (e) A person is considered to be a taxpayer for purposes of this Subsection [(4)] (6) 1165 regardless of whether the property that is the subject of the notice required by this section is 1166 exempt from taxation. 1167 [(5)] (7) (a) The county treasurer shall provide the notice required by this section to a 1168 taxpayer on or before November 1. 1169 (b) The county treasurer shall keep on file in the county treasurer's office the 1170 information set forth in the notice. 1171 (c) The county treasurer is not required to mail a tax receipt acknowledging payment.

[(6)] (8) This section does not apply to property taxed under Section 59-2-1302 or

11/3	39-2-1307.
1174	[(7)] (9) (a) A taxpayer who pays less than the full amount due on the taxpayer's
1175	property tax notice may, on a form provided by the county treasurer, direct how the county
1176	treasurer allocates the partial payment between:
1177	(i) the total amount due for property tax;
1178	(ii) the amount due for assessments[; (iii) the amount due for], past due local district
1179	fees[;], and other tax notice charges; and
1180	[(iv)] (iii) any other amounts due on the property tax notice.
1181	(b) The county treasurer shall comply with a direction submitted to the county treasurer
1182	in accordance with Subsection $[\frac{(7)}{2}]$ $\underline{(9)}(a)$.
1183	(c) The provisions of this Subsection [(7)] <u>(9)</u> do not:
1184	(i) affect the right or ability of a local entity to pursue any available remedy for
1185	non-payment of any item listed on a taxpayer's property tax notice; or
1186	(ii) toll or otherwise change any time period related to a remedy described in
1187	Subsection $[\frac{(7)}{2}]$ $\underline{(9)}(c)(i)$.
1188	Section 22. Section 59-2-1323 is amended to read:
1189	59-2-1323. Undivided interests in real estate Interest of delinquent co-owner
1190	only to be sold.
1191	(1) The county treasurer shall issue a receipt showing the interest on which taxes or tax
1192	notice charges are paid to any person paying taxes on an undivided interest in real estate.
1193	(2) If any portion of the taxes or tax notice charges on the real estate [remains] remain
1194	unpaid, it is the duty of the treasurer to sell only the undivided interest in the real estate which
1195	belongs to the co-owners who have not paid their portion of the tax.
1196	Section 23. Section 59-2-1324 is amended to read:
1197	59-2-1324. Taxes and tax notice charges to be paid before distribution of estate of
1198	a deceased person.
1199	(1) The district court shall require every administrator or executor to pay out of the
1200	funds of the estate all taxes and tax notice charges due from the estate.
1201	(2) No order or decree for the distribution of any property of any decedent among the
1202	heirs or devisees may be made until all taxes and tax notice charges against the estate are paid.
1203	Section 24. Section 59-2-1326 is amended to read:

1204	59-2-1326. Illegal tax and tax notice charges Injunction to restrain collection.
1205	(1) No injunction may be granted by any court to restrain the collection of any tax [or].
1206	any part of the tax, or any tax notice charge, nor to restrain the sale of any property for the
1207	nonpayment of the tax or tax notice charge, unless the tax or tax notice charge, or some part of
1208	the tax or tax notice charge sought to be enjoined:
1209	(a) is not authorized by law; or
1210	(b) is on property which is exempt from taxation.
1211	(2) If the payment of a part of a tax or tax notice charge is sought to be enjoined, the
1212	other part shall be paid or tendered before any action may be commenced.
1213	Section 25. Section 59-2-1327 is amended to read:
1214	59-2-1327. Payment of tax or tax notice charge under protest Circumstances
1215	where authorized Action to recover tax or tax notice charge paid.
1216	(1) Where [a tax is demanded or enforced by] a taxing entity demands or enforces a tax
1217	or where an entity responsible for a tax notice charge demands or enforces the tax notice
1218	<u>charge</u> , and the person whose property is taxed <u>or charged</u> claims the tax <u>or tax notice charge</u> is
1219	unlawful, that person may pay the tax $\underline{\text{or tax notice charge}}$ under protest to the county treasurer.
1220	(2) The person may then bring an action in the district court against the officer or
1221	taxing entity to recover the tax or tax notice or any portion of the tax or tax notice charge paid
1222	under protest.
1223	Section 26. Section 59-2-1331 is amended to read:
1224	59-2-1331. Property tax due date Date tax is delinquent Penalty Interest
1225	Payments Refund of prepayment.
1226	(1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(b) and subject to Subsections (1)(c) and
1227	(d), all property taxes, unless otherwise specifically provided for under Section 59-2-1332, or
1228	other law, and any tax notice charges, are due on November 30 of each year following the date
1229	of levy.
1230	(b) If November 30 falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday:
1231	(i) the date of the next following day that is not a Saturday, Sunday, or holiday shall be
1232	substituted in Subsection (1)(a) and Subsection 59-2-1332(1) for November 30; and
1233	(ii) the date of the day occurring 30 days after the date under Subsection (1)(b)(i) shall

be substituted in Subsection 59-2-1332(1) for December 30.

1235 (c) If a property tax is paid or postmarked after the due date described in this 1236 Subsection (1) the property tax is delinquent. 1237 (d) A county treasurer or other public official, public entity, or public employee may 1238 not require the payment of a property tax before the due date described in this Subsection (1). 1239 (2) (a) Except as provided in [Subsection] Subsections (2)(e) and (f), for each parcel, 1240 all delinquent taxes and tax notice charges on each separately assessed parcel are subject to a 1241 penalty of 2.5% of the amount of the delinquent taxes and tax notice charges or \$10, whichever 1242 is greater. 1243 (b) Unless the delinquent taxes and tax notice charges, together with the penalty, are paid on or before January 31, the amount of taxes and tax notice charges and penalty shall bear 1244 1245 interest on a per annum basis from the January 1 immediately following the delinquency date. 1246 (c) Except as provided in Subsection (2)(d), for purposes of Subsection (2)(b), the 1247 interest rate is equal to the sum of: 1248 (i) 6%; and 1249 (ii) the federal funds rate target: 1250 (A) established by the Federal Open Markets Committee; and (B) that exists on the January 1 immediately following the date of delinquency. 1251 1252 (d) The interest rate described in Subsection (2)(c) may not be: 1253 (i) less than 7%; or 1254 (ii) more than 10%. 1255 (e) The penalty described in Subsection (2)(a) is 1% of the amount of the delinquent 1256 taxes and tax notice charges or \$10, whichever is greater, if all delinquent taxes, all tax notice 1257 charges, and the penalty are paid on or before the January 31 immediately following the 1258 delinquency date. (f) This section does not apply to the costs, charges, and interest rate accruing on any 1259 1260 tax notice charge related to an assessment assessed in accordance with: 1261 (i) Title 11, Chapter 42, Assessment Area Act; or 1262 (ii) Title 11, Chapter 42a, Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Act. 1263 (3) (a) If the delinquency exceeds one year, the amount of taxes, tax notice charges, 1264 and penalties for that year and all succeeding years shall bear interest until settled in full 1265 through redemption or tax sale.

1266	(b) The interest rate to be applied shall be calculated for each year as established under
1267	Subsection (2) and shall apply on each individual year's delinquency until paid.
1268	(4) The county treasurer may accept and credit on account against taxes and tax notice
1269	charges becoming due during the current year, at any time before or after the tax rates are
1270	adopted, but not subsequent to the date of delinquency, either:
1271	(a) payments in amounts of not less than \$10; or
1272	(b) the full amount of the unpaid tax and tax notice charges.
1273	(5) (a) At any time before the county treasurer provides the tax notice described in
1274	Section 59-2-1317, the county treasurer may refund amounts accepted and credited on account
1275	against taxes and tax notice charges becoming due during the current year.
1276	(b) Upon recommendation by the county treasurer, the county legislative body shall
1277	adopt rules or ordinances to implement the provisions of this Subsection (5).
1278	Section 27. Section 59-2-1332 is amended to read:
1279	59-2-1332. Extension of date of delinquency.
1280	(1) (a) The county legislative body may, upon a petition of not less than 100 taxpayers
1281	or upon its own motion for good cause, by proclamation, extend the property tax due date from
1282	November 30 to noon on December 30.
1283	(b) If the county legislative body extends the property tax due date under Subsection
1284	(1)(a), the county legislative body shall publish a notice of the proclamation covering this
1285	extension:
1286	(i) in a newspaper of general circulation in the county in at least two issues before
1287	November 1 of the year in which the taxes are to be paid; and
1288	(ii) in accordance with Section 45-1-101 for two weeks before November 1.
1289	(2) In all cases where the county legislative body extends the property tax due date
1290	under Subsection (1), the date for the selling of property to the county for delinquent taxes or
1291	tax notice charges shall be extended 30 days from the dates provided by law.
1292	Section 28. Section 59-2-1332.5 is amended to read:
1293	59-2-1332.5. Mailing notice of delinquency or publication of delinquent list
1294	Contents Notice Definitions.
1295	(1) As used in this section, "business entity" means:
1296	(a) an association;

1297	(b) a corporation;
1298	(c) a limited liability company;
1299	(d) a partnership;
1300	(e) a trust; or
1301	(f) a business entity similar to Subsections (1)(a) through (e).
1302	[(1)] (2) The county treasurer shall provide notice of delinquency in the payment of
1303	property taxes and tax notice charges:
1304	(a) except as provided in Subsection [(4)] (5), on or before December 31 of each
1305	calendar year; and
1306	(b) in a manner described in Subsection $[\frac{(2)}{2}]$.
1307	[(2) A] (3) The notice [of delinquency in the payment of property taxes] described in
1308	Subsection (2) shall be provided by:
1309	(a) (i) mailing a written notice that includes the information described in Subsection
1310	[(3)] <u>(4)</u> (a), postage prepaid, to:
1311	(A) each delinquent taxpayer; and
1312	(B) if the delinquent property taxes or tax notice charges are assessed on a base parcel,
1313	the record owner of each subdivided lot; and
1314	(ii) making available to the public a list of delinquencies in the payment of property
1315	taxes:
1316	(A) by electronic means; and
1317	(B) that includes the information required by Subsection $[\frac{(3)}{(4)}]$ (b); or
1318	(b) publishing a list of delinquencies in the payment of property taxes and tax notice
1319	<u>charges</u> :
1320	(i) in one issue of a newspaper having general circulation in the county;
1321	(ii) that lists each delinquency in alphabetical order by:
1322	(A) the last name of the delinquent taxpayer; or
1323	(B) if the delinquent taxpayer is a business entity, the name of the business entity; and
1324	(iii) that includes the information described in Subsection $[(3)]$ (4) (b).
1325	[(3)] (4) (a) A written notice of delinquency [in the payment of property taxes]
1326	described in Subsection $[\frac{(2)}{(3)}]$ $\underline{(3)}(a)(i)$ shall include:
1327	(i) a statement that delinquent taxes and tax notice charges are due;

1328	(ii) the amount of delinquent taxes and tax notice charges due, not including any
1329	penalties imposed in accordance with this chapter;
1330	(iii) (A) the name of the delinquent taxpayer; or
1331	(B) if the delinquent taxpayer is a business entity, the name of the business entity;
1332	(iv) (A) a description of the delinquent property; or
1333	(B) the property identification number of the delinquent property;
1334	(v) a statement that a penalty shall be imposed in accordance with this chapter; and
1335	(vi) a statement that interest accrues as of January 1 following the date of the
1336	delinquency unless on or before January 31 the following are paid:
1337	(A) the delinquent taxes and tax notice charges; and
1338	(B) the penalty.
1339	(b) The list of delinquencies described in Subsection [(2)] (3) (a)(ii) or [(2)] (3) (b) shall
1340	include:
1341	(i) the amount of delinquent taxes and tax notice charges due, not including any
1342	penalties imposed in accordance with this chapter;
1343	(ii) (A) the name of the delinquent taxpayer; or
1344	(B) if the delinquent taxpayer is a business entity, the name of the business entity;
1345	(iii) (A) a description of the delinquent property; or
1346	(B) the property identification number of the delinquent property;
1347	(iv) a statement that a penalty shall be imposed in accordance with this chapter; and
1348	(v) a statement that interest accrues as of January 1 following the date of the
1349	delinquency unless on or before January 31 the following are paid:
1350	(A) the delinquent taxes and tax notice charges; and
1351	(B) the penalty.
1352	[(4)] (5) Notwithstanding Subsection $[(1)]$ (2)(a), if the county legislative body extends
1353	the property tax due date under Subsection 59-2-1332(1), the notice of delinquency [in the
1354	payment of property taxes] described in Subsection (2) shall be provided on or before January
1355	10.
1356	[(5)] (6) (a) In addition to the notice of delinquency [in the payment of property taxes]
1357	required by Subsection [(1)] (2), a county treasurer may in accordance with this Subsection
1358	[(5)] (6) mail a notice that property taxes are delinquent:

1359	(i) to:
1360	(A) a delinquent taxpayer;
1361	(B) an owner of record of the delinquent property;
1362	(C) any other interested party that requests notice; or
1363	(D) a combination of Subsections [(5)] (6)(a)(i)(A) through (C); and
1364	(ii) at any time that the county treasurer considers appropriate.
1365	(b) A notice mailed in accordance with this Subsection [(5)] (6):
1366	(i) shall include the information required by Subsection $[\frac{(3)}{(4)}]$ (4)(a); and
1367	(ii) may include any information that the county treasurer finds is useful to the owner
1368	of record of the delinquent property in determining:
1369	(A) the status of taxes and tax notice charges owed on the delinquent property;
1370	(B) any penalty that is owed on the delinquent property;
1371	(C) any interest charged under Section 59-2-1331 on the delinquent property; or
1372	(D) any related matters concerning the delinquent property.
1373	[(6) As used in this section, "business entity" means:]
1374	[(a) an association;]
1375	[(b) a corporation;]
1376	[(c) a limited liability company;]
1377	[(d) a partnership;]
1378	[(e) a trust; or]
1379	[(f) a business entity similar to Subsections (6)(a) through (e).]
1380	Section 29. Section 59-2-1333 is amended to read:
1381	59-2-1333. Errors or omissions In assessment book Authority to correct.
1382	An omission, error, defect in form in the assessment roll, or clerical error, when it can
1383	be ascertained what was intended, may, with the consent of the county legislative body, be
1384	supplied or corrected by the assessor at any time [prior to] before the sale for delinquent taxes
1385	or tax notice charges and after the original assessment or tax notice charge listing was made.
1386	Section 30. Section 59-2-1335 is amended to read:
1387	59-2-1335. Abbreviations permitted in proceedings.
1388	(1) (a) In all proceedings relating to assessment, levy, or collection of taxes or <u>relating</u>
1389	to the listing or collection of tax notice charges, the subjection of any property to a charge for

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1390	taxes of any nature or for tax notice charges, or the advertisement and sale of any property for
1391	taxes or tax notice charges, the following initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and figures
1392	may be used.
1393	(b) The meaning of the initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and figures is shown by
1394	the word or words placed opposite the initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and figures:
1395	a., ac
1396	add addition
1397	ave
1398	begbeginning
1399	blkblock
1400	bet. between
1401	bdy., bdrs. boundary, boundaries
1402	ch., chs
1403	com. commencing
1404	cont containing
1405	deg. or degree symbol degree, degrees
1406	dist. distance
1407	E. east
1408	E'ly easterly
1409	ft. foot, feet
1410	frac. fractional
1411	in., ins inch, inches
1412	lk., lks. link, links
1413	lt., lts. lot, lots
1414	m., min., or ' minute, minutes
1415	m. or l. more or less
1416	N. north
1417	NE. northeast
1418	NE'ly. northeasterly
1419	N'ly. northerly
1420	NW northwest

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1421	NW Iy northwesterry
1422	ptpoint
1423	1/4 sec. quarter section
1424	r., rs range, ranges
1425	rd., rds. rod, rods
1426	R. of W. right-of-way
1427	s. or " second, seconds
1428	S. south
1429	SE. southeast
1430	SE'ly. southeasterly
1431	S'ly. southerly
1432	st. street
1433	sub subdivision
1434	S.L.M. Salt Lake Meridian
1435	SW. southwest
1436	t., tp., tps. township, townships
1437	th thence
1438	U.S. sur. United State Survey
1439	U.S.M. Uintah Special Meridian
1440	W. west
1441	W'ly. westerly
1442	(2) Where the name of any railroad or railroad company is commonly referred to by the
1443	initial letters of the word constituting the name of the railroad, the initial letters may be used as
1444	an abbreviation for the full name of the railroad or railroad company in all cases where the
1445	name is used in the description of property.
1446	(3) (a) Commonly accepted initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and figures having
1447	local significance may be used.
1448	(b) Any initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and figures shall first be approved by the
1449	commission.
1450	(c) A written or printed explanation of initial letters, abbreviations, symbols, and
1451	figures shall appear in each assessment roll in which they are used and shall be published with

1452	each separate advertisement and sale for taxes or tax notice charges in which they are used.
1453	Section 31. Section 59-2-1338 is amended to read:
1454	59-2-1338. Record of delinquent taxes Contents of record.
1455	(1) The treasurer shall prepare the official record of delinquent taxes and tax notice
1456	charges in the same order as property appears on the assessment rolls.
1457	(2) The record shall show:
1458	(a) the name of the person to whom the property is assessed;
1459	(b) the description of the delinquent parcel, and a reference to the parcel, serial, or
1460	account number under which the property was listed in the assessment roll;
1461	(c) the amount of delinquent taxes and tax notice charges, penalties, and administrative
1462	costs; and
1463	(d) the date of redemption and by whom the property is redeemed.
1464	[(2)] (3) The record shall also provide space for entering delinquent taxes assessed and
1465	tax notice charges listed in subsequent years against each parcel which remains unredeemed.
1466	[(3)] (4) Taxes levied only on a certain kind or class of property for a special purpose
1467	and tax notice charges shall be separately set out.
1468	Section 32. Section 59-2-1339 is amended to read:
1469	59-2-1339. Form of treasurer's certificate Contents of form.
1470	(1) On or before March 15 the treasurer shall complete the official record of delinquent
1471	taxes and tax notice charges and attach the treasurer's certificate to the record.
1472	(2) The certificate shall be substantially in the following form:
1473	State of Utah)
1474	SS.
1475	County of)
1476	I,, county treasurer of the county of, state of Utah, do certify that to the best
1477	of my knowledge the attached record is a full, true, and correct record and constitutes the
1478	official record of all properties which became delinquent for the year, and shows in the
1479	same order as the property appears on the assessment roll, the name of the person to whom the
1480	property is assessed, the description of the delinquent parcel and a reference to the parcel,
1481	serial, or account number under which the property was listed in the assessment roll, the
1482	amount of taxes, tax notice charges, penalties, administrative costs, the date of redemption, and

1483	by whom the property was redeemed if any redemption has been made.	
1484	Signature	
1485	County Treasurer of Coun	ıty
1486	$[\frac{(2)}{3}]$ The official record shall be maintained in the treasurer's office and shall	
1487	include any subsequent delinquent taxes, tax notice charges, penalties, administrative costs,	
1488	and redemptions pertaining to the properties listed thereon.	
1489	Section 33. Section 59-2-1342 is amended to read:	
1490	59-2-1342. Assessment and sale of property after attachment of county tax lien	
1491	and tax notice charges.	
1492	(1) Property against which a property tax delinquency exists shall be assessed in	
1493	subsequent years for taxes in the same manner as if no delinquency existed.	
1494	(2) Property against which a delinquency exists for tax notice charges may still accrue	
1495	tax notice charges as if no delinquency existed.	
1496	[(2)] (3) The rights of any person purchasing the property from the county at tax sale	
1497	provided under Section 59-2-1351.1 are subject to the right of the county under any subsequent	
1498	assessment and of any tax notice charge entity.	
1499	Section 34. Section 59-2-1343 is amended to read:	
1500	59-2-1343. Tax sale listing.	
1501	(1) (a) If any property is not redeemed by March 15 following the lapse of four years	
1502	from the date when [the property tax] any item in Subsection (1)(b) became delinquent, the	
1503	county treasurer shall immediately file a listing with the county auditor of all properties whose	
1504	redemption period is expiring in the nearest forthcoming tax sale to pay all outstanding	
1505	property taxes and tax notice charges.	
1506	(b) A delinquency of any of the following triggers the tax sale process described in	
1507	Subsection (1)(a):	
1508	(i) property tax; or	
1509	(ii) a tax notice charge.	
1510	(2) The listing is known as the "[Tax Sale Listing] tax sale listing."	
1511	Section 35. Section 59-2-1345 is amended to read:	
1512	59-2-1345. Daily statement of accounts Audits.	
1513	(1) Between March 15 and the date of the tax sale, the county treasurer shall transmit	

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- daily to the county auditor a statement of the amount of money received by the treasurer during the preceding business day on account of redemptions made on property listed for tax sale.
 - (2) The statement <u>described in Section (1)</u> shall set out in separate columns:
 - (a) the number of the redemption certificate or the receipt issued on account for redemption;
 - (b) the amount received for taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, and administrative costs accrued to the date of the making of the tax sale record;
 - (c) the amount received for administrative costs subsequently accruing; and
- 1522 (d) the amount received as interest accrued.
 - [(2)] (3) The county auditor shall audit the treasurer's tax sale records at least once a year and the treasurer shall account to the auditor for all money due the county by reason of any redemptions or payments on account for redemption made, including interest as required by law.
 - [(3)] (4) Before the tax sale listing under Section 59-2-1343 is compiled, the auditor shall credit the treasurer upon the books of the county with the sums charged for delinquent taxes, tax notice charges, penalties, and administrative costs charged against all real estate upon which the period of redemption is expiring in the nearest forthcoming tax sale.
 - Section 36. Section **59-2-1346** is amended to read:
- **59-2-1346. Redemption -- Time allowed.**
 - (1) Property may be redeemed on behalf of the record owner by any person at any time before the tax sale which shall be held in May or June as provided in Section 59-2-1351 following the lapse of four years from the date the property tax or tax notice charges became delinquent.
 - (2) A person may redeem property by paying to the county treasurer all delinquent taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, interest, penalties, and administrative costs that have accrued on the property.
 - (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(d), a person may redeem a subdivided lot by paying the county treasurer the subdivided lot's proportional share of the delinquent taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, interest, penalties, and administrative costs accrued on the base parcel, calculated in accordance with Subsection (3)(b).
 - (b) The county treasurer shall calculate the amount described in Subsection (3)(a) by

1545 comparing:

- (i) the amount of the value of the base parcel as described in Subsection (3)(b)(ii) that is attributable to the property that comprises the subdivided lot as the property existed on January 1 of the year in which the delinquent property taxes on the base parcel were assessed or tax notice charges on the base parcel were listed; and
- (ii) the value of the base parcel as it existed on January 1 of the year in which the delinquent property taxes on the base parcel were assessed <u>or tax notice charges on the base</u> parcel were listed.
- (c) If the county treasurer does not have sufficient information to calculate the amount described in Subsection (3)(a)(i), upon request from the county treasurer, the county assessor shall provide the county treasurer any information necessary to calculate the amount described in Subsection (3)(a)(i).
- (d) A person may redeem a subdivided lot under this Subsection (3) only if the record owner of the subdivided lot is a bona fide purchaser.
- (4) (a) At any time before the expiration of the period of redemption the county treasurer shall accept and credit on account for the redemption of property, payments in amounts of not less than \$10, except for the final payment, which may be in any amount.
- (b) For the purpose of computing the amount required for redemption and for the purpose of distributing the payments received on account, all payments shall be applied in the following order:
- [(a)] (i) against the interest and administrative costs accrued on the delinquent tax for the last year included in the delinquent account at the time of payment;
- [(b)] (ii) against the penalty charged on the delinquent tax for the last year included in the delinquent account at the time of payment;
- [(c)] (iii) against the delinquent tax for the last year included in the delinquent account at the time of payment;
- [(d)] (iv) against the interest and administrative costs accrued on the delinquent tax for the next to last year included in the delinquent account at the time of payment; and
- [(e) and] (v) so on until the full amount of the delinquent taxes, tax notice charges, penalties, administrative costs, and interest on the unpaid balances are paid within the period of redemption.

1576	Section 37. Section 59-2-1349 is amended to read:
1577	59-2-1349. Co-owners Procedures for redemption.
1578	If two or more persons own an undivided interest in property on which a tax or tax
1579	notice charge delinquency exists, any owner may redeem the owner's interest in the property
1580	upon payment of that portion of the taxes, tax notice charges, interest, penalties, and
1581	administrative costs which the owner's interest bears to the whole, as determined by the county
1582	legislative body.
1583	Section 38. Section 59-2-1351 is amended to read:
1584	59-2-1351. Sales by county Notice of tax sale Entries on record.
1585	(1) (a) Upon receiving the tax sale listing from the county treasurer, the county auditor
1586	shall select a date for the tax sale for all real property on which a tax or tax notice charge
1587	delinquency exists that was not previously redeemed and upon which the period of redemption
1588	is expiring in the nearest tax sale.
1589	(b) The tax sale shall be conducted in May or June of the current year.
1590	(2) Notice of the tax sale shall be provided as follows:
1591	(a) sent by certified and first class mail to the last-known recorded owner, the occupant
1592	of any improved property, and all other interests of record, as of the preceding March 15, at
1593	their last-known address; and
1594	(b) published:
1595	(i) four times in a newspaper published and having general circulation in the county,
1596	once in each of four successive weeks immediately preceding the date of sale; and
1597	(ii) in accordance with Section 45-1-101 for four weeks immediately preceding the
1598	date of sale; and
1599	(c) if no newspaper is published in the county, posted in five public places in the
1600	county, as determined by the auditor, at least 25 but no more than 30 days prior to the date of
1601	sale.
1602	(3) The notice shall be in substantially the following form:
1603	NOTICE OF TAX SALE
1604	Notice is hereby given that on(month\day\year), at o'clock m., at
1605	the front door of the county courthouse in County, Utah, I will offer for sale at public
1606	auction and sell to the highest bidder for cash, under the provisions of Section 59-2-1351.1, the

1607	following described real property located in the county and now delinquent and subject to tax
1608	sale. A bid for less than the total amount of taxes, tax notice charges, interest, penalty, and
1609	administrative costs which are a charge upon the real estate will not be accepted.
1610	(Here describe the real estate)
1611	IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and official seal on
1612	(month\day\year).
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1617	(4) (a) The notice sent by certified mail in accordance with Subsection (2)(a) shall
1618	include:
1619	(i) the name and last-known address of the last-known recorded owner of the property
1620	to be sold;
1621	(ii) the parcel, serial, or account number of the delinquent property; and
1622	(iii) the legal description of the delinquent property.
1623	(b) The notice published in a newspaper in accordance with Subsection (2)(b) shall
1624	include:
1625	(i) the name and last-known address of the last-known recorded owner of each parcel
1626	of property to be sold; and
1627	(ii) the street address or the parcel, serial, or account number of the delinquent parcels.
1628	Section 39. Section 59-2-1351.1 is amended to read:
1629	59-2-1351.1. Tax sale Combining certain parcels Acceptable bids Deeds.
1630	(1) (a) At the time specified in the notice the auditor shall:
1631	(i) attend at the place appointed, offer for sale, and sell all real property for which an
1632	acceptable bid is made; and
1633	(ii) refuse to offer a parcel of real property for sale if the description of the real
1634	property is so defective as to convey no title.
1635	(b) The auditor may post at the place of sale a copy of the published list of real
1636	property to be offered and cry the sale by reference to the list rather than crying each parcel
1637	separately.

- 1638 (2) (a) The tax commission shall establish, by rule, minimum procedural standards applicable to tax sales.
 - (b) For matters not addressed by commission rules, the county legislative body, upon recommendation by the county auditor, shall establish procedures, by ordinance, for the sale of the delinquent property that best protect the financial interest of the delinquent property owner and meet the needs of local governments to collect delinquent property taxes and tax notice charges due.
 - (3) The county governing body may authorize the auditor to combine for sale two or more contiguous parcels owned by the same party when:
 - (a) the parcels are a single economic or functional unit;
 - (b) the combined sale will best protect the financial interests of the delinquent property owner; and
 - (c) separate sales will reduce the economic value of the unit.
 - (4) The governing body may accept any of the following bids:
 - (a) the highest bid amount for the entire parcel of property, however, a bid may not be accepted for an amount which is insufficient to pay the taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, interest, and administrative costs; or
 - (b) a bid in an amount sufficient to pay the taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, interest, and administrative costs, for less than the entire parcel.
 - (i) The bid which shall be accepted shall be the bid of the bidder who will pay in cash the full amount of the taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, interest, and administrative costs for the smallest portion of the entire parcel.
 - (ii) The county auditor at the tax sale or the county legislative body following the tax sale shall reject a bid to purchase a strip of property around the entire perimeter of the parcel, or a bid to purchase a strip of the parcel which would prevent access to the remainder of the parcel by the redemptive owner or otherwise unreasonably diminish the value of that remainder.
 - (iii) If the bid accepted is for less than the entire parcel, the auditor shall note the fact, with a description of the property covered by the bid, upon the tax sale record and the balance of the parcel not affected by the bid shall be considered to have been redeemed by the owner.
 - (5) The county legislative body may decide that none of the bids are acceptable.

- (6) (a) Once the county auditor has closed the sale of a particular parcel of property as a result of accepting a bid on the parcel, the successful bidder or purchaser of the property may not unilaterally rescind the bid.
- (b) The county legislative body, after acceptance of a bid, may enforce the terms of the bid by obtaining a legal judgment against the purchaser in the amount of the bid, plus interest and attorney's fees.
- (7) Any sale funds which are in excess of the amount required to satisfy the delinquent taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, interest, and administrative costs of the delinquent property shall be treated as unclaimed property under Title 67, Chapter 4a, Unclaimed Property Act.
- (8) All money received upon the sale of property made under this section shall be paid into the county treasury, and the treasurer shall settle with the taxing entities and tax notice charge entities as provided in Section 59-2-1366.
- (9) (a) The county auditor shall, after acceptance by the county governing body, and in the name of the county, execute deeds conveying in fee simple all property sold at the public sale to the purchaser and attest this with the auditor's seal.
 - (b) Deeds issued by the county auditor under this section shall recite the following:
- (i) the total amount of all the delinquent taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, penalties, interest, and administrative costs which were paid in for the execution and delivery of the deed;
- (ii) the year for which the property was assessed <u>or a tax notice charge was listed</u>, the year the property became delinquent, and the year the property was subject to tax sale;
 - (iii) a full description of the property; and
 - (iv) the name of the grantee.
- [(b)] (c) When the deed is executed and delivered by the auditor, it shall be prima facie evidence of the regularity of all proceedings subsequent to the date the taxes or tax notice charges initially became delinquent and of the conveyance of the property to the grantee in fee simple.
- [(c)] (d) The deed issued by the county auditor under this section shall be recorded by the county recorder.
- 1697 [(d)] (e) The fee for the recording shall be included in the administrative costs of the sale.
 - [(e)] <u>(f)</u> The deed shall be substantially in the following form:

I AX DEED
County, a body corporate and politic of the state of Utah, grantor, hereby conveys to
, grantee, of the following described real estate in County, Utah:
(Here describe the property conveyed)
This conveyance is made in consideration of payment by the grantee of \$,
representing the total amount owing for delinquent taxes, delinquent tax notice charges,
penalties, interest, and administrative costs constituting a charge against the real property for
nonpayment of general taxes assessed against it for the years through in the sum of
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Dated(month\day\year).
(Auditor's Seal)
County
By
County Auditor
Section 40. Section 59-2-1351.5 is amended to read:
59-2-1351.5. Disposition of property struck off to county.
(1) (a) All property acquired by the county under this part may be disposed of for a
price and upon terms determined by the county legislative body.
(b) If property is sold under a contract of sale and title remains in the county, the equity
of the purchaser shall be subject to taxation as other taxable property.
(c) The county clerk may execute deeds for all property sold under this subsection in
the name of the county and attest the same by seal, vesting in the purchaser all of the title of all
taxing entities in the real estate so sold.
(d) (i) Money received from the sale of property under this section shall first be applied
to the cost of administering and supervising the property.
(ii) Any remaining money shall be apportioned to:
(A) state and other taxing entities with an interest in the taxes last levied upon the
property in proportion to their respective interests in the taxes[-]; and
(B) tax notice charge entities in proportion to the entities' respective tax notice charges.
(iii) The treasurer shall settle with the taxing entities and tax notice charge entities on
funds remaining as provided in Section 59-2-1366.

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- 1731 (iv) Money in excess of claims under this subsection shall be paid to the state treasurer 1732 and treated as unclaimed property under Title 67, Chapter 4a, Unclaimed Property Act.
 - (2) (a) The county legislative body may rent or lease any property held in the name of the county any time after the tax sale for a price and upon terms determined by the governing body.
 - (b) Lands leased may be sold at the discretion of the county executive, with the approval of the county legislative body, during the term of the lease, but any sale shall be made subject to the lease.
 - (c) The county executive, with the approval of the county legislative body, may enter into leasehold terms for asphalt, oil, or gas that the county considers to be in the best interest of the county as long as:
 - (i) the mineral, asphalt, oil, or gas is produced from, or attributable to, the property leased; and
 - (ii) each lease for oil and gas reserves a royalty of not less than 12-1/2%.
 - (d) If considered to be in the best interests of the county, the county executive may:
 - (i) enter into agreements for the pooling or unitizing of acreage with others for unit operations for the production of oil or gas, or both, and for the apportionment of oil or gas royalties, or both, on an acreage or other equitable basis; and
 - (ii) with the consent of its lessee, change any and all terms of leases issued by it to facilitate the efficient and economic production of oil and gas from the property under its jurisdiction.
 - (e) All leases for mineral, asphalt, or oil and gas already entered into by county governing bodies are ratified.
 - (3) (a) Money received as rents from the rental or leasing of property held in the name of the county shall first be applied to the cost of administering and supervising the property.
 - (b) Any remaining money shall be apportioned to:
 - (i) state and other taxing entities with an interest in the taxes last levied upon the property in proportion to their respective interests in the taxes[-]; and
 - (ii) tax notice charge entities in proportion to the entities' respective tax notice charges.
- 1760 (c) The treasurer shall settle with the taxing entities and tax notice charge entities on funds remaining as provided in Section 59-2-1366.

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1762	(d) Money in excess of these claims shall be paid to the state treasurer and treated as
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1764	Section 41. Section 59-2-1352 is amended to read:
1765	59-2-1352. Purchaser of invalid tax title Purchaser's lien Extent of lien
1766	Priority of lien Foreclosure of lien.
1767	(1) Every person who has purchased or purchases any invalid tax title to any real
1768	property in this state shall, from the effective date of this part, have a lien against the property
1769	for the recovery of the amount of the purchase price paid to the county to the extent that the
1770	county would have a lien prior to the sale by the county, but in no event may the lien be greater
1771	than the amount of taxes, tax notice charges, interest, and penalties, or the amount actually
1772	paid, whichever is smaller.
1773	(2) Taxes and tax notice charges paid by the purchaser for subsequent years after the
1774	purchase from the county shall be included in the amount secured by the lien which has not
1775	already been recovered.
1776	(3) The lien shall have the same priority against the property as the lien for the
1777	delinquent taxes and tax notice charges which were liquidated by the purchase except that it
1778	may not have preference over any right, title, interest in, or lien against, the property acquired
1779	since the purchase of the tax title for value and without notice, and the lien shall bear interest at
1780	the legal rate for a period of not to exceed four years.
1781	(4) The lien shall be foreclosed in any action in which the invalidity of the tax title is
1782	determined.
1783	(5) If the lien is not foreclosed at the time of the determination of the invalidity of the
1784	tax title, any later action to foreclose the lien shall be barred.
1785	Section 42. Section 59-2-1353 is amended to read:
1786	59-2-1353. Foreclosure of lien claimed by county Time Venue Parties
1787	Pleading.
1788	(1) In all cases where any county claims a lien on real estate for delinquent general
1789	taxes or tax notice charges which have not been paid for a period of four years, the county may

(2) In this action all persons owning, having, or claiming an interest in or lien upon the

foreclose the lien by an action in the district court of the county in which the real estate is

real estate or any part of the real estate may be joined as defendants, and the complaint shall contain a description of the property, together with the amount claimed to be due on the property, including interest, penalties, and administrative costs.

- (3) If the name of the owner of any real estate cannot be ascertained from the records of the county, the complaint shall state that the owner is unknown to the plaintiff.
- (4) It is sufficient to allege in the complaint that a general tax has been duly levied upon or a tax notice charge has been listed for the described real estate, without stating any of the proceedings or steps leading up to the levy of the tax or the listing of the tax notice charge.

Section 43. Section **59-2-1355** is amended to read:

59-2-1355. Trial -- Findings -- Decree.

- (1) The action <u>described in Section 59-2-1353</u> shall be tried and determined as actions to foreclose mortgage liens, and the court shall determine and adjudge the amount of taxes, <u>tax notice charges</u>, interest, penalties, and costs on each parcel of property which has been separately assessed, and shall enter its decree determining the rights, and priorities of liens, of all parties to the action.
- (2) The court shall also in its decree direct the sheriff to advertise and sell, as in the case of sales on execution, each parcel of property, or so much as may be necessary for the payment of the total amount of the general taxes and tax notice charges due, with interest, penalties, and costs, unless the amount is paid within a time named in the decree, but not to exceed 30 days from the entry of the decree.
- (3) The decree shall provide that any of the parties to the action may become purchasers at any sale, that if less than an entire parcel of property is sold, it shall be sold at foreclosure sale in such a manner as not to convey to the purchaser a strip of property around the entire perimeter of the parcel, or a strip of the parcel which, if conveyed, would prevent access to the remainder of the parcel by the redemptive owner or otherwise unreasonably diminish the value of that remainder, as determined by the county executive.
- (4) The decree shall also provide that if all delinquent taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u>, together with interest, <u>respectively</u> levied on <u>or listed for</u> the parcel of property, and all penalties and costs, are paid within the time fixed in the decree for payment, then no sale may be made.
 - (5) After the time for redemption has expired, if no redemption has been made, the

1824	sheriff shall execute and deliver to the purchaser a deed conveying to the purchaser all the
1825	right, title, and interest of each and all the parties, but subject to the lien of any general or
1826	special taxes or tax notice charges which may have been respectively levied on or listed for the
1827	property conveyed, other than those for the payment of which the sale has been made.
1828	Section 44. Section 59-2-1358 is amended to read:
1829	59-2-1358. Foreclosure deemed a cumulative remedy.
1830	The foreclosure may not deprive any county of any other method or means provided for
1831	the collection or enforcement of any taxes or tax notice charges, but is construed as providing
1832	an additional or cumulative remedy for the collection of general taxes levied and assessed and
1833	tax notice charges listed against the real estate in the county.
1834	Section 45. Section 59-2-1359 is amended to read:
1835	59-2-1359. Collection of taxes and tax notice charges Removal or destruction of
1836	property.
1837	The tax commission may, under the conditions existing in this section, declare the taxes
1838	and tax notice charges to be immediately due and payable if it finds:
1839	(1) that the owner or lessee of any real property, including improvements, subject to
1840	taxation within the state is removing, destroying, or is about to remove or destroy the property
1841	to such an extent as to render doubtful the payment of delinquent taxes, tax notice charges,
1842	penalty, and interest, if any, and the payment of current taxes and tax notice charges; or
1843	(2) that the continued operation and extraction of ores and minerals from mine or
1844	mining claims, or the method employed by the owner or lessee, contractor, or other person
1845	working upon or operating any mine or mining claim will render doubtful the payment of
1846	delinquent taxes, tax notice charges, penalty, and interest, if any, for past years or the current
1847	year.
1848	Section 46. Section 59-2-1360 is amended to read:
1849	59-2-1360. Proceedings before commission.
1850	Proceedings to make findings under Section 59-2-1359 may be commenced before the

Proceedings to make findings under Section 59-2-1359 may be commenced before the commission upon its own initiative, the request of any taxing entity, the request of any tax notice charge entities, or the request of any taxpayer.

Section 47. Section **59-2-1361** is amended to read:

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59-2-1361. Notice of findings -- Proceedings in district court -- Injunction --

1855 Determining taxes and tax notice charges due -- Security during proceedings.

- (1) (a) Notice that the commission has made a finding and declaration under Section 59-2-1359 shall be given to the owner of the property in the same manner as is provided by law for the giving of the notice of assessment by the commission.
- (b) The notice required by this section shall include a notice of the location and time of the hearing in which the findings of the commission may be protested.
 - (c) (i) The hearing must be scheduled at least 10 days after the mailing of the notice.
- (ii) The owner, lessee, contractor, or operator of the property shall be afforded the opportunity to protest the commission's findings at the hearing.
- (2) After the scheduled hearing, the taxes shall become immediately due and payable if any of the following occur:
- (a) the owner, contractor, lessee, or operator of the property fails to appear at the hearing; or
 - (b) the commission sustains the findings.
- (3) If the taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u> are not paid within 10 days from the date due, the commission may commence a proceeding in court in its name, but for the benefit of the state [and], the taxing entities interested in the taxes, <u>and the tax notice charge entities for the property</u>, in the district court of the county in which the property is located to determine the [lien] <u>liens</u> of the taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u> and to foreclose the [lien] <u>liens</u>.
 - (4) In any proceeding the court may order any of the following:
- (a) enjoin and restrain the destruction or removal of the property or any part of the property;
 - (b) appoint a receiver to operate the property; and
- (c) order and direct that the proceeds from the property, or so much of it as may be necessary to pay the amount of the taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u>, be withheld and impounded or paid on account of the taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u> from time to time as the court may direct.
- (5) In determining the amount of taxes due for any year for which the levy has not been fixed and for the purposes of the proceeding in court, the commission shall use the levy prevailing within the taxing entity where the property is located for the last preceding year.
- (6) In any court proceeding brought to enforce the payment of taxes <u>and tax notice</u> <u>charges</u> made due and payable under this section, the findings of the commission shall be for

all purposes presumptive evidence of the necessity for the action for the protection of the public revenues and of the amount of taxes and tax notice charges to be paid.

- (7) (a) Payment of taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u> due under this section will not be enforced through the proceedings authorized by this section prior to the expiration of the time otherwise allowed for payment of taxes if the owner, lessee, contractor, or other person operating the property furnishes security approved by the commission that the person will timely submit all required returns and [tax payments] payment of taxes and tax notice charges.
- (b) The commission may, from time to time, require additional security for the payment of taxes and tax notice charges.
 - (8) The commission may promulgate rules to implement this section.

Section 48. Section **59-2-1362** is amended to read:

59-2-1362. Certified copy of tax sale record prima facie evidence of regularity.

- (1) A copy of the record of any tax sale duly certified by the official custodian of the record at the time of the certificate under the seal of office as a true copy of the entry in the official record showing the sale is prima facie evidence of the facts shown in the record.
- (2) The regularity of all proceedings connected with the assessment, valuation, notice, equalization, levies, tax notices, advertisement, and sale of property described in the record is presumed, and the burden of showing any irregularity in any of the proceedings resulting in the sale of property for the nonpayment of delinquent taxes and tax notice charges shall be on the person who asserts it.
 - Section 49. Section **59-2-1363** is amended to read:

59-2-1363. Misnomer or mistake as to ownership does not affect sale.

If property is sold for correctly imposed taxes <u>and tax notice charges</u> as the property of a particular person, no misnomer of the owner or supposed owner, or other mistake relating to ownership, affects the sale or renders it void or voidable.

Section 50. Section **59-2-1365** is amended to read:

59-2-1365. Payment to taxing entities by county treasurer -- Investment of proceeds -- Transfer and receipt of money between taxing entities.

(1) Except as provided in Subsections (3) and (4), the county treasurer shall pay to the treasurer of each taxing entity <u>and each tax notice charge entity</u> in the county on or before the tenth day of each month:

191/	(a) all money that the county treasurer received during the preceding month that is du
1918	to the [taxing] entity; and
1919	(b) each [taxing] entity's proportionate share of money the county treasurer received
1920	during the preceding month for:
1921	(i) delinquent taxes and tax notice charges;
1922	(ii) interest;
1923	(iii) penalties; and
1924	(iv) costs on all tax sales and redemptions.
1925	(2) Except as provided in Subsections (3) and (4), the county treasurer shall:
1926	(a) adopt an appropriate procedure to account for the transfer and receipt of money
1927	between taxing entities and tax notice charge entities;
1928	(b) make a final annual settlement on March 31 with each taxing entity and tax notice
1929	charge entity, including providing the [taxing] entity a written statement for the most recent
1930	calendar year of the amount of:
1931	(i) total taxes and tax notice charges charged;
1932	(ii) current taxes and tax notice charges collected;
1933	(iii) treasurer's relief;
1934	(iv) redemptions;
1935	(v) penalties;
1936	(vi) interest;
1937	(vii) in lieu fee collections on motor vehicles; and
1938	(viii) miscellaneous collections;
1939	(c) invest the money it receives under Subsection (1); and
1940	(d) pay annually to each taxing entity and tax notice charge entity in the county the
1941	interest earned on the invested money under Subsection (2)(c):
1942	(i) on or before March 31; and
1943	(ii) apportioned according to the proportion that the:
1944	(A) taxing entity's tax receipts bear to the total tax receipts received by the county
1945	treasurer[-]; and
1946	(B) tax notice charge entity's tax notice charge receipts bear to the total tax notice
1947	charge receipts that the county treasurer receives.

1948	(3) Notwithstanding Subsections (1) and (2), a county may:
1949	(a) negotiate with a taxing entity or tax notice charge entity a procedure other than the
1950	procedure provided in Subsection (2)(a) to account for the transfer and receipt of money
1951	between the county and the taxing entity or tax notice charge entity; and
1952	(b) establish a date other than the tenth day of each month for the county treasurer to
1953	make payments required under Subsection (1).
1954	(4) This section does not invalidate an existing contract between a county and a taxing
1955	entity or tax notice charge entity relating to the apportionment and payment of money or
1956	interest.
1957	Section 51. Section 59-2-1366 is amended to read:
1958	59-2-1366. Apportionment of redemption or assignment money.
1959	(1) If property sold to the county under this title is redeemed, or the certificate of sale is
1960	assigned, the money received on account of the redemption or assignment shall be distributed
1961	as follows:
1962	(a) the original and subsequent taxes, and 40% of interest, penalty, and costs of sale
1963	received shall be apportioned to the taxing entities interested, in proportion to their respective
1964	taxes[, and];
1965	(b) the original and subsequent tax notice charges, and 40% of interest, penalty, and
1966	costs of sale received shall be apportioned to the tax notice charge entities interested, in
1967	proportion to their respective tax notice charges; and
1968	(c) the balance shall be paid to the county.
1969	(2) If a sum less than the taxes, tax notice charges, interest, penalty, and costs is
1970	accepted in settlement, the proceeds of the settlement shall be applied, first to the payment of
1971	the original and subsequent taxes and tax notice charges, and the remainder, if any, to the
1972	payment of interest, penalty, and costs.
1973	Section 52. Section 59-2-1372 is amended to read:
1974	59-2-1372. Auditor duties Final settlement with treasurer Delinquent Tax
1975	Control Account.
1976	(1) The auditor shall audit the books and records of the treasurer and make a final
1977	settlement with the treasurer.
1978	(2) In making the settlement the auditor shall credit the treasurer with the amount of

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1979	taxes and tax notice charges for the previous year which are found to be still unpaid and shall
1980	then charge the treasurer upon the books of the county in an account which shall be called the
1981	Delinquent Tax Control Account with the full amount of delinquent taxes, tax notice charges,
1982	penalty, and costs found due the county for the previous year.